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LADYSMITH NOTES.

Work on Wharf to Commence at Once—Conservative Delegates to Duncans Convention.

(Special to the Times.)

Ladysmith, Oct. 12.—The Conservative delegates for Ladysmith to the Duncans convention left this morning. The final selection was only completed last night. These representatives are: Jas. Freel, Ald. D. Nicholson, A. J. McMurtries, G. McGuire, Jas. Cairns, R. Simpson, W. Miles, M. Lyne and A. C. Thompson. They are favorable to the nomination of Clive Phillipps-Wolley, it is understood.

Yesterday afternoon Ralph Smith received a wire from Geo. Keefer, Dominion government engineer, that he had received instructions to proceed with the building of the Ladysmith wharf at once, and would instruct D. Thomas accordingly. Mr. Thomas is the foreman appointed to oversee the work.

A great deal of interest is being taken here in basketball. Last night there were two matches by rival teams in the opera house, the Shorties and Thistles tying with 8 each, and the Shamrocks beating the Leaders by 20 to 13.

THE BATTLE HAS BEEN RESUMED

The Struggle Between Forces of Oyama and Kouropatkin Still Continues in Vicinity of Yentai.

So Far the Fighting Has Been Almost Entirely Confined to the Artillery---Japs Not Only Hold Ground, But Are Advancing Their Positions.

(Associated Press.)

The armies of Kouropatkin and Oyama are again in battle on the ground which, as far as can be determined from to-day's advices from the front, lies generally to the north and east of the scene of the battle of Liao Yang.

Beginning with the Russian blow at Bentsiaputze on October 9th, the engagement spread until to-day both Tokio and St. Petersburg report that it is raging along the entire front.

So far the results have not been decisive.

It is evident that Kouropatkin is transferring the weight of his attack to the Japanese right, which rests on the Taitse river, east of the Yentai mines.

North of Yentai the fighting is reported to be of the most desperate character, the positions constantly changing hands, and the losses on both sides being heavy.

Tokio reports that the battle raged uninterruptedly all yesterday, and into the night, and that it is believed there that the Russian turning movement was checked. Oyama reports that he is gaining ground, and that the Russian attack on Sienchung in the effort to cut the Japanese communications with the Yalu river was repulsed.

At the close of yesterday's fighting, Kouropatkin reported [illegible] war office that the Japanese were offering a stubborn resistance, and had even advanced their positions.

THE ARTILLERY AND INFANTRY ENGAGED.

At the Russian front, Oct. 10; by messenger to Mukden, Oct. 11.—(Delayed.)—The artillery duel is progressing on the Russian left, twenty-seven miles southeast of Mukden, while the fighting at Yentai rages with terrible bitterness.

The Japanese are essaying a counter attack.

The result is in the balance.

Russian reinforcements are coming up rapidly.

RUSSIANS MARCHED TO BATTLE SINGING.

Mukden, (Oct. 11.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The aggressive movement of General Kouropatkin's army is causing the Japanese column on the northeast to withdraw, concentrating at the Yentai coal mines.

Russian scouting parties came into contact with the Japanese Monday evening and captured 100 head of cattle.

The retirement of the Japanese was so hurried that they abandoned their field telegraph and telephone lines.

The Russian soldiers are in the best of spirits and advance to battle singing.

JAPANESE LEFT WAS DRIVEN BACK.

Mukden, Oct. 11, 8 a.m.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The battle commenced this morning along the line of the railway with a terrific artillery fire on both sides. The railway line almost to Yentai is in possession of the Russians. The station itself has been damaged nearly beyond recognition.

The weather is beautiful and the sound of cannonading is audible a distance of forty miles.

It is impossible to tell how the day's fighting will develop.

The fighting on Monday commenced early in the morning. A bombardment of five hours' duration forced back the Japanese lines along almost the entire front and opened the way for an infantry attack.

About noon the Japanese began to retire. Their flanks and centre were stubbornly defended and the battle increased in intensity, concentrating about the Yentai coal mines, where firing continued until darkness fell.

As a net result of the day's events, the Russians drove in the Japanese left, while the right clung to its position, but maintained itself only with difficulty.

THE ADVANCE OF JAPANESE FORCES.

Field Headquarters of the Second Japanese Army, Oct. 10, 9 p.m., via Fusan, Oct. 12.—The advance on Mukden began this morning.

Field-Marshal Oyama, learning that the Russians were strengthening and reinforcing their left, five miles north of Yentai, ordered the advance. The entire line began the march, the infantry advancing two or three miles, the artillery following.

The Russians observing this movement, opened an artillery gun duel, which continued all day.

There was no decisive forward movement of the infantry to-night.

THE ATTACK IS WELCOMED BY JAPS.

Tokio, Oct. 12, 11 a.m.—Silence has been preserved at headquarters concerning the events around Liao Yang and Mukden. It is popularly reported that the Russian advance and attack is welcomed. Heretofore the Japanese have always been compelled to take the aggressive and openly assault the strongest works. The people believe now that the conditions are reversed, the troops will speedily check the Russians, instancing Lieut.-General Count Keller's unlucky venture at Motien pass.

HEAVY FIGHTING AGAIN IN PROGRESS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—Gen. Sakharoff telegraphing yesterday evening confirms the reports of desperate fighting north of Yentai, where the heights were alternately held by the Russians and the Japanese.

General Danieloff, who succeeded Generals Troussoff and Romanoff in command of the Sixth Siberian rifles, was wounded in the leg but did not relinquish his command.

The losses are not stated, and according to the latest advices the battle is continuing to-day.

THE JAPANESE ARE GAINING GROUND.

Tokio, Oct. 12.—6 p.m.—Field-Marshal Oyama reports that there was fighting along almost the entire front since October 10th and that the Japanese are gaining ground, and the Russian attack on Sienichuang was repulsed.

OYAMA'S FORCES ARE SLOWLY ADVANCING.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—1.37 p. m.—The battle below Mukden continues to rage along the entire front and, according to Gen. Kouropatkin's latest advices sent last night after the fighting of the day had ended, the Japanese were stubbornly holding their own, offering a desperate resistance, and had even advanced their positions.

After an all day fight above Yentai, where the Russians sustained their first check, the Japanese still held that position. The infantry practically was not engaged, the artillery being in the front of the fighting. The Japanese stuck to their guns, and the Russian batteries were unable to dislodge them.

RUSSIAN TURNING MOVEMENT CHECKED.

Tokio, Oct. 12.—8 p. m.—A battle, south of Mukden, raged uninterruptedly all of Tuesday and into the night. It was continued to-day. The results have not been decisive.

The Russians have a heavy force on the Japanese right toward the Taitse river, but it is believed that the Japanese have checked the Russian turning movement.

THE OPENING OF ANOTHER BATTLE.

Shanpintaidze, a mile south of Bentzoputz, Oct. 10, with the Russian left flanking column (believed to be General Mistchenko's), by way of Mukden, Oct. 12.—The Russians have been advancing in force for several days. Upon reaching Tai Diamowza, a mile south of Kauotau pass, on the Fushan-Bensihu road, they began hearing sporadic artillery fire on the right where the Russian advance was in contact with the Japanese. The movement of the main column was immediately accelerated. The Russians were then two days' march from Shanpintaidze. Desultory skirmishing was constantly proceeding on the right and left and the Japanese steadily retired.

The firing ahead became heavier yesterday and wounded men from the scouting detachments began to pass through the Russian lines.

The Russians pressed forward with increased speed, the infantry advancing at the double. The aspirations of the men were high, due to the fact that they were actually assuming the offensive.

They arrived at the village of Shanpintaidze at 5 o'clock this evening. The Japanese had hurriedly abandoned the place the night before, paying the Chinese for carrying away their stores, 4,000 bags of rice and barley. There were two divisions of Japanese in front of the Russians.

The general commanding this (Russian) column upon reaching Shanpintaidze, deployed a portion of his forces with a battery of artillery, sent out left flank supports, and went personally to his right flank, where his skirmishers had already engaged the Japanese.

An artillery duel then opened on the left with the Japanese mounted guns brought up from Chowsan pass, which were shelling Russian scouting detachments. The Japanese projectiles, however, fell wide, and the Russian guns came up at a gallop, unlimbered, and opened fire on the Japanese artillery. This duel was continued until dark. The Russian fire was accurate and eventually silenced the Japanese battery. The Russians lost ten men wounded and one man killed.

This morning the batteries opened fire at 10 o'clock, the Japanese replying. To the right the fight was proceeding simultaneously, apparently in favor of the Russians. The latter were using about ten miles of telegraph and telephone lines abandoned by the Japanese.

It is rumored here that the Russians have occupied Yentai.

DROPPING SHELLS INTO PORT ARTHUR HARBOR.

Chefoo, Oct. 12.—7 p.m.—Japanese who arrived here to-day from Port Dalny report that additional heavy guns are now dropping shells into the harbor of Port Arthur. They add that one shell recently severely damaged the Russian battleship Retvizan.

The repulse from High hill, the Japanese say, was the only reverse which the Japanese before Port Arthur have suffered. On the other hand, the Japanese have destroyed two redoubts which gave the Russians a flanking fire from Rihlung mountain against their assailants, and the Japanese remain in six other captured fortifications south of Shushiying which were mentioned in the dispatches of September 25th.

The Japanese consider that the progress they have made satisfactory, and believe that the capture of the fortress, although slow, is certain to be accomplished.

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED LOST WITH GUNBOAT.

Tokio, Oct. 12.—10 a. m.—A corrected list of the lives lost in the sinking of the Japanese gunboat Heiyen, off Pigeon Bay, on September 18th, places the total number at one hundred and ninety-seven.

THE UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN RULERS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—The rumor of the existence of a secret understanding between Russia and Germany covering the Far East has been revived. According to the latest version Germany gives certain guarantees to Emperor Nicholas regarding the German frontier, which will enable Russia to withdraw troops from the big garrison maintained in Russian Poland and dispatch them to the Far East, beside agreeing to support Russia in the peace negotiations at the end of the war. Germany's compensation, in addition to the concessions made in the commercial treaties already negotiated, is to be the support of Russia in the attempt to incorporate the Netherlands in the German confederation in the event of the death of Queen Wilhelmina without a direct heir.

Diplomatic circles are discussing the story with interest. While it is classed in the same category as other similar stories by most of the diplomats, it finds more credence in quarters not particularly noted for friendliness either to Russia or Germany, it being even asserted that the recent visit of Grand Duke Vladimir to Berlin, ostensibly to consult a specialist, in reality was to confer with Emperor William in person on this question.

Nothing confirmatory of the report is obtainable in responsible government circles, where the story is dismissed as being the invention of enemies of both countries.

TWENTY-THREE SHIPS IN BALTIC FLEET.

Paris, Oct. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris learns from what he believes to be a reliable source the final composition of the new fleet, which is to sail from the Baltic for the Far East, is as follows: The battleships Oslavia, Navarin, Borodino, Alexander III., Orel and Souvaroff, the cruisers Almaz, Seeitchum, Izumrud, Admiral Nikginoff, Dmitri, Donskoi, Oleg, Aurora and Svetlan, nine destroyers and ten big transports.

The fleet will divide off the Spanish coast, one squadron going by way of the Suez canal and the other around Cape Horn, reuniting at a prearranged point in the Indian ocean.

The coaling of this Cape squadron has been insured by colliers which have been dispatched in advance.

Officials here express the belief that the Russian Baltic fleet will actually start for the Far East next Friday or Saturday.

BEZOBRAZOFF WILL BE IN COMMAND.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—The Official Messenger has announced the appointment of Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff, commander of the first squadron of the Baltic fleet, to be senior admiral of the Baltic fleet, and of Rear-Admiral Haupt, naval commander at the port of Vladivostock, to be junior admiral of the Baltic fleet.

Rear-Admiral Grey succeeded Admiral Haupt as commander at the port of Vladivostock. Admiral Jessen will assume command of the first Pacific squadron.

An order directing that the 130,000 acres of unsold lands of the Red Lake Indian reservation in Minnesota be placed on sale immediately under homestead entry at $4 per acre has been issued.

WINNIPEG SCENE OF DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

FINE BUILDINGS NOW MASS OF SMOKING RUINS

The Damage Will Probably Amount to More Than Six Hundred Thousand Dollars—The Insurance.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.—This morning nothing but blackened and smoking ruins were all that remained of two of Winnipeg's finest business corners, destroyed by fire last night.

The discovery was made in the new six story Bullman block, but before the firemen arrived, only from across the street, the entire interior seemed to be in a blaze. The high elevator shafts and the numerous windows gave a great draught, while the narrow lanes on two sides were little protection to adjoining blocks. At 10.20 it was seen that the block was doomed.

The flames then jumped across Bannatyne street to the Albert corner of J. H. Ashdown's magnificent retail establishment, and ate its way through to Main street. The premises had been recently refitted and stocked with valuable contents, which are a total loss, placed at $400,000.

In the meantime the fire had been working into the Duffin block to the east of the Bullman structure and despite the efforts of firemen wiped out Steele & Co.'s photo gallery, Duffin & Co.'s photo supplies, damaged Davis & Co.'s bookstore, the Woodbine hotel and Connell & Co.'s drugs.

The fire was stopped at the Rialto block adjoining Ashdown's on Main street, although it appeared as if all the structures down to the Union Bank skyscraper would go, and all occupants were carrying out office furniture and household effects. Banfield's carpets were piled up in front of the city hall square, but the work of numerous rigs were unnecessary. The falling outward of the Bullman block walls, the dropping of live wires, the discharge of thousands of cartridges in Ashdown's, added to the perils of the spectators and firemen.

Before midnight, after burning fiercely for two hours the fire was gotten under control.

Bullman Bros. lost a magnificent lithographing plant besides their new premises. Their insurance amounted to $70,000, and their loss to $140,000. The splendid stock of G. E. Ellis & Co., valued at $30,000, was wiped out, half insured. Kyle Cheesebrough's loss will be $15,000.

The loss in the Ashdown building will be in the neighborhood of $400,000, the stock alone being worth $300,000. The insurance on this was light, although it was considerably added to a few months ago. So far as could be learned, it amounted to $75,000 on the stock and $40,000 on the building. The loss in such a business is by no means confined to the dollars of value destroyed; the blow to business, the disorganization, the valuable time lost, all tend to make the loss most severe.

Mr. J. H. Ashdown, president of the company, is absent from the city, having gone south to St. Louis to meet Mrs. Ashdown on her return from the south.

The Bullman block was insured in about twenty different companies. The firm had $12,500 on the machinery, $10,000 on stones, aluminum and copper plates and $15,000 on stock. The building was covered to the extent of $25,000, making a total of $62,500. The Hingston Smith Arms Co. carried $39,500 on stock, tools and fixtures. Hyndman & Co. had about $8,000 insurance on stock. The Woodbine is fully insured.

At 3.30 o'clock this morning, the flames burst out afresh from the ruins of Ashdown's store on Main street, and for a few minutes threatened the adjacent buildings on the north side. Several streams were turned on, and in a few minutes the flames were subdued.

The following is a preliminary estimate of the losses sustained by the leading victims of last night's fire. The list is not official, as many of the owners could do little but give an approximation, and in many cases the insurance could not be learned:

Bullman block and contents, $140,000, insured for $70,000; Ashdown store and contents, $400,000, insurance $115,000; Kyle Cheesebrough & Co. and K. Ishikawa, $15,000, insurance $10,000; H. W. Gerhardt, $2,500, partly covered; Geo. E. Ellis & Co., $25,000; W. A. Dixon, $10,000; Slater Shoe Co., $2,500; Grundy Music Co., $5,000; Duffin building, $15,000, Duffin, contents $8,000; Connell & Co., $1,000; W. T. Davis, $3,000; Woodbine hotel, $6,000; Rialto block, $4,000; Dr. Watts, $3,000; Steele & Co., $5,000; Dr. Garvin, $5,000; Hingston Smith Arms Co., $2,000; Dr. Prowse, $500; Dr. McKenty, $600; Dr. Walsh, $500; Dr. Watson, $400; Dr. McKay, $500; Mrs. Saxon's loss, which cannot be estimated, consisted of valuable paintings.

The United States government has taken a hand in the investigation of the alleged poisoned whiskey case to which many deaths in the vicinity of Tenth avenue and Forty-sixth street, New York, have been attributed. Coroner Scholer says that an examination of the contents of the stomachs of two of the persons who died suddenly disclosed traces of wood alcohol. Representatives of several insurance companies also have begun an investigation. It is said that several of the victims carried small amounts of insurance.

STEAMER LOST--NINETEEN PERISHED

SANK IN GALE OFF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

F. W. Thompson on the Yield of Wheat—New Flour Mill at Fort William—Nominations.

(Associated Press.)

Halifax, Oct. 12.—Steamer Call, newly-built, has been lost off New London, P. E. I., with crew of nineteen. Mr. Fogar, one of the owners, who had every cent he owned, amounting to $18,000, invested, received word of the disaster this morning. There was no insurance. Mr. Fogar's son was on board. The steamer sank in a gale on Saturday night, and all on board, it is believed, were drowned.

The Wheat Crop.

Montreal, Oct. 12.—"As a result of my trip through the entire wheat belt I think that I can safely say that the quality of this year's crop is so excellent that fully 98 per cent. of it will be good milling wheat, and the total will be very close to 65,000,000 bushels," was the interesting announcement made by F. W. Thompson, vice-president and general manager of the Ogilvie Mills Co., Ltd., on his arrival to-day from a trip of several weeks over the entire wheat belt. Mr. Thompson said that on Saturday morning last he was present when the first pile was driven on the new big flour mill that company was building at Fort William.

Molson's Bank.

Montreal, Oct. 12.—The annual report of Molson's Bank of Canada shows net earnings amounting to $457,290.72.

Nominations.

Montreal, Oct. 12.—The following additional nominations have been made:

Welland—Walter Upper, Independent Conservative.

St. John City—Richard O'Brien, Liberal.

St. John county—Hon. H. A. McKeown, Liberal.

Carleton, N. B.—F. H. Hale, Conservative.

Haldimand—Col. Thompson, Liberal.

Brantford—W. F. Cockshutt, Conservative.

North Middlesex—J. D. Drummond, Conservative.

Norfolk—Col. D. Tisdale, Conservative.

L'Islet, Que.—Dr. F. Paquet, Conservative.

MEETINGS ARRANGED FOR BY RALPH SMITH

Wm. Sloan Was Given a Hearty Reception at Atlin—News of the Campaign.

The political campaign in this city is proceeding with very little excitement.

The Liberals are opening with a meeting on Friday night to be addressed by George Riley, the popular candidate of the party; Chas. H. Lugrin and Frank Higgins. It will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall.

Ralph Smith has arranged for a series of public meetings throughout his constituency. These will begin on Thursday and continue up to election time. At all these gatherings opposition candidates are requested to be present. The list of them is as follows: Duncans, Thursday, October 13th; Chemainus, Friday, October 14th; Nanaimo, Saturday, October 15th; Ladysmith, Monday, October 17th; Mt. Sicker, Tuesday, October 18th; Cowichan Station, Wednesday, October 19th; Esquimalt, Thursday, October 20th; Royal Oaks, Friday October 21st; Gordon Head, Saturday, October 22nd; The Willows, Monday, October 24th; Cloquot hall, Tuesday, October 25th; Saanichton, Wednesday, October 26th (this date open); nomination day, Thursday, October 27th; Salt Spring and other islands, Friday, October 28th; Metchosin, Saturday, October 29th; Colwood and Sooke district, Saturday, October 29th; Gabriola Island (south end), Monday, October 31st; Ladysmith and Mt. Sicker, Tuesday, November 1st; Cedar district (3 o'clock, afternoon), Wednesday, November 2nd; Nanaimo (evening), Wednesday, November 2nd.

The Conservatives of the Nanaimo riding hold their nominating convention in Duncans to-morrow. It is readily conceded that Clive Phillipps-Wolley will be the choice of the convention. This will make the fight a three-cornered one with Ralph Smith, Liberal; Clive Phillipps-Wolley, Conservative, and Wm. Fenton, Socialist.

Mr. Sloan, the Liberal candidate from Comox-Atlin constituency, was accorded a grand reception at Atlin upon his arrival there Saturday morning. James Stables, ex-M. P. P., and other prominent Liberals, met him, and in the evening a crowded meeting was held in Nugget hall. On Monday evening another meeting was held at McDonald's hall. At this meeting Messrs. Stables and E. M. N. Woods spoke in support of the candidate, while Dr. Young, M.-P. P., spoke for the opposition, and was severely scored by the candidate for his pains. John Kirkland, president of the Liberal Association, presided.

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FIERCE FIGHTING NORTH OF YENTAI

ARTILLERY ENGAGEMENT ALONG ENTIRE FRONT

Russians Were Driven Across the Schill River, But Again Advanced After Being Reinforced.

Mukden, Oct. 11.—11 p. m.—A bloody battle is now raging about six miles north of Yentai railroad station. The Japanese on Sunday fell back along the whole front and the Russians advanced across the Schill river and came within three miles of Yentai, but yesterday the Japanese received strong reinforcements of infantry and artillery and not only held their positions, but even assumed the offensive. The fighting lasted all day and night.

The Japanese directed their artillery fire with great skill and searched the Russian positions so fiercely that the Russians fell back north of the Schili river, which crosses the railroad seven miles from Yentai.

The Russians this morning resumed their advance and once more crossed the river and engaged the Japanese two miles south of it. A terrific artillery engagement is progressing all along the entire front. The result is still unknown.

KOUROPATKIN MUST MAKE FRONTAL ATTACK.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—2.10 a. m.—Severe fighting north of Yentai, resulting in a temporary check of Gen. Kouropatkin's advance guard, of which the Associated Press correspondent at Mukden telegraphed the first news, is not regarded at the war office here as indicating a general engagement. The least official dispatches indicating the disposition of the various corps, show that the whole army is not yet in line of battle. The present engagement may, therefore, be regarded as the result of a counter attack, which an enterprising foe like the Japanese might be expected to make, but without any calculation to prevent the Russian advance.

Gen. Kouropatkin's present superiority in numbers, it is said here, is bound, sooner or later, to compel the Japanese to fell back upon their strong positions within the triangle formed by Yentai, Liao Yang and Sykwantun. Everything points to that direction as being the prospective centre of the decisive struggle of this year's campaign.

Strategic reasons of the most weighty character render it imperative for the Russians, as well as the Japanese, to bestow their chief attention upon the country east of the railway. The Russians are compelled to this course because the railroad runs northeastward, and hence lines of communication are more vulnerable from the east. The Japanese are influenced by a similar consideration, but the railroad no longer plays a foremost part in their plans. In view of the approaching close of navigation at Yinkow, and of the fact that the line from Pitsewo is long and cumbersome and liable to interruption, they must consider Feng Huang Cheng and Takushan as the source of supplies during the winter, and, with this in view, the eastern communications of Liao Yang are of the utmost importance.

The Yentai triangle is admirably situated to protect them. Field Marshal Oyama must, therefore, hold this triangle at all costs. The problem confronting Gen. Kouropatkin in the immediate future is the capture of the fortified heights comprising this triangle where the Japanese will have the advantage of fighting behind breastworks and utilizing their superiority in mountain guns. The general superiority of the Japanese in mountain operations is conceded. The Russian commander undoubtedly is aware of the difficulties of the task before him, has measured them well and is confident of his ability to overcome them.

If Gen. Kouropatkin possessed an army of half a million men he could leave a sufficient force to attack the triangle while he moved with the remainder around the eastern and western flanks. This is considered, in the best informed circles at the war office, to be impracticable with the numbers now composing Gen. Kouropatkin's army, and a frontal advance is the only alternative. Operations, however, are likely to be marked by feints on the right and left. The Japanese probably will make similar movements until both armies become involved in a death struggle.

TOKIO AWAITING NEWS OF FIGHTING.

Tokio, Oct. 11.—7 p. m.—Tokio tonight is eagerly awaiting tidings of the persistently rumored engagement south of Mukden. It is reported that the Russians, assuming the offensive, crossed the Hun river and attacked Gen. Kuroki's forces, capturing a position which the Japanese being strongly reinforced recaptured and reoccupied. The Japanese, it is reported, have checked the Russian advance. It is said that losses on both sides were heavy. No official confirmation of these reports can be obtained.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE DUE TO PRESSURE.

London, Oct. 12.—The English papers this morning are still discussing what they regard as Gen. Kouropatkin's inexplicable change of plan of campaign, and with the increasing conviction that now is shared by most of the European critics, that it is due to pressure from St. Petersburg. The situation will be still more complicated if the extraordinary statement sent by Bennett Burleigh from Shanghai to the Daily Telegraph to-day should turn out to be correct. Mr. Burleigh says it is believed that Field Marshal Oyama and his staff will return or be recalled to Japan ostensibly because the army is going into winter quarters, and that Gen. Nodzu will take over the command.

"It is now well known amongst the better classes of Japanese," Mr. Burleigh adds "that it was Nodzu who saved the situation at the battle of Liao Yang. Oyama and the headquarters had actually ordered a retreat when Nodzu vigorously protested against such action and begged them to make another desperate effort, he more directly operating with Oku's right. To Nodzu, therefore, is due the sole credit of averting a disastrous retreat, which he warded off by sending in and almost sacrificing the entire 20th regiment of the 10th division."

According to Mr. Burleigh the Japanese still have no intention of proceeding much further north than Mukden, and they will only under exceptional circumstances attack Tie Pass this season.

Mr. Burleigh concludes: "Gen. Nishi, commander of the Japanese second division, will become governor of Manchuria."

Commenting editorially upon the statements in Mr. Burleigh's correspondence, the Daily Telegraph says: "The recall of Oyama is almost inconceivable. It is Oyama's war planned and carried out by him and his recall would be the sign that Japan, her Emperor and ministers were suffering from an acute attack of nerves, and had begun to doubt themselves."

CZARINA'S MESSAGE TO RUSSIAN GARRISON.

London, Oct. 12.—The Daily Telegraph's Chefoo correspondent says that the following touching message has been received from the Empress of Russia in response to a congratulatory message from the garrison of Port Arthur:

"I am deeply impressed by your noble message. With all my heart and soul I am with you this day, you, the brave defenders and sufferers of Port Arthur. I pray God will give you strength to continue self-sacrifice in behalf of the Empire, which is dear to you as well as to me."

The correspondent adds that there are indications that the Japanese intend making another assault on Port Arthur before going into winter quarters.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg to a news agency here says: "In a dispatch to the Emperor, Gen. Stoessel confirms the report that desperate sorties from Port Arthur were made on October 5th and 6th, and states that the Russians were in greatly inferior force. But they repulsed the Japanese four times and captured ten Hotchkiss guns."

BARON HAYASHI ON KOUROPATKIN'S PLANS.

London, Oct. 11.—The British government is closely watching to discern the cause and effect of Gen. Kouropatkin's forward movement. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister here, deprecates the ridicule which is being showered by the English press on Kouropatkin's proclamation. In an interview to-day he declared he did not believe Kuropatkin was bluffing.

"I hear on good authority that he has got men almost shoulder to shoulder along the railway," he said.

"I would not be surprised if Kouropatkin, instead of continuing a frontal advance, should launch the whole of his army against Gen. Kuroki's flanking force. It would be a bold stroke and precipitate a great struggle, but the Russians are not accustomed to mountain fighting, and would be handicapped even though superior in numbers. The result of the present phase of the Manchurian campaign means much, and perhaps is almost as vital to one side as to the other."

PROPOSED CHANGE

In Canons Regarding the Remarriage of Any Persons Who Has Been Divorced.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 11.—A proposed change in the canons of the Episcopal church, whereby clergymen are forbidden to rentarry any person who has been divorced, was discussed for two hours by the house of deputies at to-day's session of the Episcopal Church Congress. The house of deputies was sitting as a recommittee of the whole, and the consideration of the subject, regarded as one of the most important to come before the present convention, will be taken up from time to time until the matter is finally disposed of. The committee of canons, of which Rev. J. E. Davenport, of Memphis, Tenn., is chairman, presented an amendment to the present canon, forbidding remarriage of any person who has been divorced, a minority report permitting the present canon to remain as it is with the exception of an added provision for the presentation of court evidence, when an applicant for remarriage appears before a clergyman was submitted by Rev. Dr. J. Lewis Parks, of New York, and others. The Archbishop of Canterbury was present during the debate.

The present canon on the subject permits the remarriage only of the innocent person in a divorce case, wherein a decree was issued by the civil courts on the ground of infidelity.

Dr. Parks said that the passage in the 19th chapter of St. Matthew touching on marriage and divorce was uncertain. He thought that the common conscience would never accept any such dictum as that presented in the majority report, and said that if a man had an adulterous spouse no explanation by the church would have any effect in preventing his remarriage if he so desired.

N. H. Battle, of Raleigh, N.C., thought that no civil court in America could adjudge any one to be divorced unless the cause appeared in the records. He said that there was nothing in the prayer book to prevent the remarriage of the innocent person.

Rev. John Williams, of Omaha, Neb., thought that if the deputy from North Carolina was correct in his argument as to the marriage vow, the church had laws as loose as those of South Dakota. Continuing, he said: "I do not want to give the benediction of the church of God to a marriage as to which I am in doubt. I am in doubt about the passage in St. Matthew's gospel, but I take the position that what God cannot bless no priest, bishop or even a pope can bless."

Rev. G. B. Vanwaters, of Portland, Ore., in a fervent address declared that the reforms of the church were requiring more than Christ himself required, and that such a canon as the majority report proposed would drive persons to other denominations. He advocated letting "well enough alone."

The committee was given permission to take up the matter in the week.

It was voted to consecrate a bishop for Cuba. The house of deputies and the house of bishops, sitting as the board of missions this afternoon, heard reports from the mission fields.

The members of the house of bishops, in their individual capacity, have arranged to present the Archbishop with a mammoth silver loving cup.

BOUND TO A TREE.

Successful Suitor Carried Away and Left Helpless in a Dense Wood.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 11.—Out of spite, it is thought, and evidently in order to put M. Kelley, of Keslo, Wash., out of the way so as to prevent his marrying Miss Lulu Ward, of Catlin, who had refused the attentions of a less successful suitor, Kelley was seized, gagged and bound by wire to a tree in a dense wood and abandoned to die for a period of four days, from Monday until Friday last, when he was discovered and released. On Saturday the young woman whose preferment for Kelley nearly caused his death, procured a marriage license and late the same day the couple were married.

Kelley is almost a physical wreck, but from the scraps of story which he has given in intervals of consciousness it would appear that last Monday he started from the home of a friend to go to Kelso en route to Kalama, the county seat, to procure a marriage license. On the way he was seized, bound and blindfolded by two persons, one of whom was disguised as a woman. He was then strapped to the back of a horse and taken into the woods, where he was bound to the tree and compelled to suffer unmentionable cruelties.

Thursday a note was found on the doorpost of one of Kelley's friends, stating the man's predicament and whereabouts, and his friend at once proceeded to the place and released him.

The perpetrator of the crime is said to be a man who has for several months endeavored to force his attentions upon the young woman.

At the trial in New York Tuesday of Philip Weinseimer, former president of the building trades alliance, who is charge with the extortion of $2,700 from George Essig, a contractor, George F. Johnson, of the firm of Johnson, Kahn & Co., the contractors who erected the Chatsworth hotel in Riverside drive, told in detail of an alleged attempt by Weinseimer to obtain from him $2,700 on the Chatsworth contracts, of his alleged refusal to pay the amount and the subsequent strike on the plumbing contract.

The Duke of Devonshire possesses landed property in nearly every English county except Devonshire.

LORD MILNER RESIGNS COMMISSIONERSHIP

Ill-Health Compels Him to Give Up His Post in South Africa—Will Return Home.

London, Oct. 11.—Lord Milner has resigned the high commissionership of South Africa on account of ill-health, brought about by the prolonged strain in grappling with the situation, which is daily becoming more difficult owing to the financial and racial troubles of the country.

Lord Milner has twice previously resigned, but was induced to reconsider his decision, which now is irrevocable.

Lord Milner comes home at Christmas, and after consultation with him his successor will be appointed. Col. Sir Edward Ward, at present under secretary of state for the war office, and formerly director of supplies of the South African field forces, is considered likely to get the appointment. Sir Edward has great administrative ability, and is wholly disconnected with the past political or financial history of South Africa, so his appointment would not engender the antagonism which might be aroused by the nomination of a better known politician.

TRAINMEN SUFFOCATED.

Coal Cars Stalled While Passing Through a Tunnel.

Port Huron, Mich., Oct. 10.—Six employees of the Grand Trunk railway were suffocated by coal gas yesterday in St. Clair tunnel, which runs under the St. Clair river from Port Huron to Sarnia, Ont. A coal train broke in two while passing through the tunnel and three of the train crew were suffocated while part of the train lay stalled in the tunnel. The engineer pulled out with his engine, but returned and lost his life in an endeavor to push the stalled cars back to safety. Superintendent A. S. Begg and another man perished in attempts to go to the rescue of the others.

The dead are: A. S. Begg, Port Huron, superintendent of terminals; Engineer John Coleman, Port Huron; Conductor Simpson, Sarnia, Ont.; Conductor Stiley, Sarnia; Brakeman McGrath, Sarnia; Brakeman Ellis, Sarnia.

Fireman Fred Forester, with great presence of mind, jumped into the partly filled water tank of the engine, where there was enough air to preserve his life, although he is in a serious condition tonight. Forester was in the tank for nearly two hours before he was rescued and his escape is little short of miraculous.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Boy Instantly Killed and His Brother Seriously Injured.

Seattle, Oct. 11.—Frank Dubigk, aged 15 years, of Ravensdale, was killed and his brother, Richard Dubigk, aged 13 years, seriously injured by the accidental discharge of a shotgun near Ravensdale yesterday afternoon shortly before 1 o'clock.

With Charles Mattaini and Henry Schlotman the Dubigk boys were out hunting. After tramping about the woods all morning the young boys sat down on the railroad track near Covington, a small station just west of Ravensdale. A shotgun was resting on Mattaini's lap, and Richard Dubigk, who was seated next to him, grasped the gun by the muzzle and pulled it toward him. The trigger caught in Mattini's watch chain and the gun exploded.

Frank Dubigk, who was seated next to Richard, was instantly killed. The shot struck in the head and shoulders, almost decapitating him. Part of the contents of the cartridge struck Richard in the arm near the left shoulder. He may lose the arm.

Coroner Hoye made a thorough investigation of the accident and has decided that no inquest is necessary.

BATHING FATALITY.

Young Woman Drowned While a Number of Companions Had Narrow Escape.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 10.—Miss Bessie Wilson, of Clarksburg, W. Va., niece of the late William L. Wilson, former postmaster-general, and afterwards president of Washington and Lee university, was drowned while bathing at Virginia beach yesterday. Miss M. Wilson, of Charleston, W. Va., daughter of the former postmaster-general; Miss Mary M. Simpson, of Buchanan, Va.; Miss Eliza Dillon, of Indian Rock, Va., and Miss Louise E. Latimer, of Washington, were rescued by United States life savers and are in a critical condition, but will recover.

The party went into the surf accompanied by E. Stormand, a resident of the beach. He was teaching them to float, and before he was aware of it several of the young women had drifted beyond their depth.

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

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BULBS FOR SALE—Hyacinth, tulips, narcissus, crocus, etc., just received, at Jay & Co.'s, 13 Broad street.

FOR SALE—Three cows and one heifer. M. E. Mee, Dominion road, Victoria West.

FOR SALE—A black pony, ride or drive. Apply Geo. Francis, Esquimalt.

FOR SALE—Two grade Jersey cows, two years old, good milkers, gentle; also two Jersey heifer calves, 8 weeks old, sired by registered Jersey bull. Apply Box 112, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Irish terrier puppies. Apply Thos. Plimley, Government street.

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FOR SALE—Choice new seven roomed house on Haywood Ave.; very cheap. Moore & Whittington, contractors, 159 Yates street. Phone A750.

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TO LET—Furnished cottage, $7 per month. A. Williams, 104 Yates.

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FOR SALE—Bellott street, east of Cook street, 2 story, with brick foundation, 8 rooms, all modern conveniences, a nice house; on easy terms.

FOR SALE—Niagara street, new bungalow of 8 rooms, with all modern conveniences; small payment down, and balance in small monthly payments.

FOR SALE—Pine street, good lot, 55 ft. by 135 ft., no rock; assessed value $240; our price $125.

FOR SALE—Blanchard street, lot 20x60, with two story building in good condition, cheap; would make a good factory.

FOR SALE—James Bay, corner lot, with five roomed dwelling, only $1,800.

FOR SALE—Dallas road, five roomed dwelling in excellent condition, full lot, for $850; terms, $100 cash, balance in small monthly payments.

FOR SALE—Near Dallas road and car line, good seven roomed dwelling, well situated; price $1,600, and terms to suit.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, 10 roomed dwelling, all modern conveniences; $3,000.

FOR SALE—Dallas road, 2 lots and modern 10 roomed dwelling, $7,000; easy terms.

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FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2½ acres, 4 roomed house, good soil, city water laid on.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, and 7 roomed house, McClure street; $1,600.

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FOR SALE—Pandora street, lot 60x120, 6 roomed cottage; only $1,600.

FOR SALE—Yates street, near Quadra, vacant lot; $1,800.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Oct. 12.—5 a. m.—A high barometer area is central in Oregon; sleet and rain has fallen at Barkerville and showers on the Lower Mainland and throughout the North Pacific states; a thunderstorm occurred at Salt Lake City. East of the Rockies a storm area is centred in Saskatchewan and the weather is mostly fair and cool.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Thursday:

Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, chiefly cloudy and cool.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally cloudy and cool, with showers to-night or Thursday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.13; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .03; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 48; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .16; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 30; minimum, 28; wind, calm; rain, .24; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, 56; minimum, 56; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 8 miles W.; weather, clear.

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Mr. John Gurney Fordham and Miss Corisdale Powell United in Wedlock Yesterday.

In St. John's church yesterday afternoon the Bishop of Columbia united in wedlock Mr. John Gurney Fordham, nephew of Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Bart., member of the Imperial House of Commons, and Miss Corisande Powell, third daughter of Dr. I. W. and Mrs. Powell. The ceremony was conducted in the presence of a large and fashionable audience, who taxed the accommodation of the edifice to the utmost, the interesting event being regarded as one of the most memorable in society circles this season. The church was tastefully decorated with palms and white asters, the friends of the bride having drawn liberally on their equipment of artistic talent in producing an admirable decorative effect, their work being enhanced by the harvest display which was allowed to remain in place.

E. H. Russell presided at the organ and played a number of appropriate selections in his usual excellent manner, at the same time directing the choral part of the service. The hymn, "O Perfect Love," was sung during the ceremony, after which Mrs. W. E. Green sang "Beloved, It Is Morn," with rare taste and expression.

The bride was given away by her father, and was attended by six bridesmaids. She was beautifully gowned in chiffon cloth, over white taffetta, the yoke of chiffon having a deep bertha of duchess lace; the large sleeves being finished at the elbow also with lace; the skirt being much shirred and with many frills. The pretty veil was daintily arranged with a wreath of orangle blossoms; the long train of exquisite duchesse and rose point lace beautifully trimmed with narrower lace of the same kind, was carried by little Miss Nora Jones. A pearl and turquoise necklet was also worn, and a beautiful shower of white roses and maiden-hair fern was carried by the bride.

The maid of honor, Miss Powell, sister of the bride, Miss Violet Powell, Miss Sophie Tupper (Vancouver), Miss Violet Vernon, and Miss Evelyn Tilton, the bridesmaids, each most lovely in white point d'esprit over white silk and chiffon, blue turquoise girdles, with streamers; their hats of white point d'esprit with bands of blue velvet, and carrying round bouquets of pink and white carnations, white roses and ferns; and little Miss Nora Jones, completed the picture.

The bridegroom was supported by Mr. Cecil Merritt as best man, Messrs. G. E. and G. W. Powell, Lieut. K. West and Dr. Hermann Robertson being groomsmen; Mr. Alexis Martin, Mr. T. E. Pooley and Mr. Harold Robertson were ushers.

Following the ceremony a large number of guests gathered at Oakdene, the home of the bride, where a reception and dejeuner were held. The house and surroundings were gaily adorned in honor of the occasion, the lawn in particular presenting a beautiful appearance. Three large marquees had been erected, while there was a most elaborate floral display. The bride and bridegroom ran the gauntlet of congratulations beneath a bell of dahlias, chrysanthemums and ferns, and in front of a screen of ferns and sweet peas. Certainly there was an artiste at work in the execution of the floral decorations. The bride's health was proposed by Bishop Perrin in a neat little speech, the bridegroom appreciatively responding. Dr. Robertson proposed the health of Dr. and Mrs. Powell, which was drunk with enthusiasm. That the gathering was a very happy one, there is no doubt, every essential arrangement conducive to the appropriate observance of such an occasion having been made. An orchestra was in attendance and rendered an excellent programme. Mrs. Powell received in a handsome dress of reseda voilline, with dainty toque, assisted by her eldest daughter, Mrs. Langworthy, charmingly gowned in sea-green Dresden silk paillettes.

The newly married couple left in the evening for Seattle en route to England, where they will spend several months. The bride's travelling suit was hydrangea broadcloth, opening over a blouse of white chiffon cloth, with lace garnitures, and large moleskin chapeau with ostrich feather, and facings of white tulle.

The groom's gift to the bridesmaids were French enamel butterfly brooches. His gift to the bride was a handsome morocco dressing case, with silver and ivory fittings; a gold and enamel bracelet, two sapphire and diamond rings, diamond watch bracelet, bicycle, etc.

Following is a list of the presents: Sir Henri Jely de Lotbiniere, brass travelling clock in morocco case; Commodore and Mrs. Goodrich, silver photo frame; Mr. and Mrs. Langworthy, sables, silver purse, opera glasses in case; Senator and Mrs. and Miss Macdonald, silver photo frame; Mrs. Dunsmuir, silver dish; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Kirk, silver mustard pot; Mrs. B. W. Pearse, travelling clock in silver frame; Mr. F. J. O'Reilly, silver-mounted stand with three oval frames; Mr. and Mrs. Gore, glass bonbondere; Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths, bronze fruit stand; Mrs. J. D. Pemberton, china cream jug and sugar bowl; Hon. Senator and Mrs. Templeman, two cut glass dishes; Mrs. A. McCallum, two cut glass dishes; Mr. and Mrs. R. Beaven, pair silver vases; Mr. and Mrs. H. Beaven, silver cream jug; Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Cuppage, vase; Capt. and Mrs. J. Irving, ink bottle; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Goward, brush and comb tray; Mrs. E. Fisher, cut glass and silver sugar bowl and sifter; Miss Alice Pooley, jug; Hon. F. and Mrs. Peters, silver sugar sifter; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Genge, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, bronze and glass fruit; Miss Macnaughton Jones, pair cut glass vases, stand; Mr. E. H. Russell, silver vase; Capt. and Mrs. Parry, silver-mounted mirror; Miss Violet Powell, gold and enamel bangle; Mrs. Archer Martin, silver candlestick and ash tray; Mr. and Mrs. A. Becker, pair silver and glass mustard pots; Mrs. Clarence Watson, England, embroidered sachet; Cumming Macdonald, M. P., England, gold brooch; Mrs. Fordham, England, sapphire pendant, jewelled enamel hat pin, real lace fan with mother-of-pearl sticks; Mr. Alfred Fordham, England, turquoise and pearl necklace; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fordham, silk travelling rug; Miss Josephine Lawson, England, blue enamel and pearl brooch; Miss Elizabeth Lawson, England, amethyst and pearl pendant; Mrs. Barber, England, purse; Mrs. R. Springman, engraved card case with silver mountings; Mrs. Fitzherbert Bullen, water color; Sir Charles and Lady Tupper, silver dish; Miss Tupper, oxydized silver dish; Mr. Maurice Hills, silver decanter; Mr. and Mrs. Atkins, pair cut glass vases; Misses Orr, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. James Raymur, brass candlesticks; Dr. A. M. Robertson, silver bonbondere; Mr. S. Severson, pair bronze vases; Mrs. Berkeley, cut glass vase; Justice and Mrs. Duff, oxydized silver dish; Mr. and Mrs. J. Laing, silver photo frame; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pooley, cut glass dish; Mrs. Stuart Robertson, table centre and doilies; Mrs. Wm. Cochrane, gold curb bracelet; Mrs. Wm. Hood, California, dozen silver teaspoons; Miss Ruby Shaw, California, drawnwork table centre; Miss Beatrice Vernon, England, turquoise bracelet; Capt. and Mrs. Watts, travelling clock in silver frame; Capt. and Mrs. Wright, butter dish; Mrs. and Miss Todd, silver vases; Mr. Alexis Martin, Royal Crown Derby plate; Mr. Danvers Osborn, Bombay, wicker chair; Miss C. Dupont, tea set; Mr. and Mrs. Sweeny, silver umbrella handle; Mr. A. T. Monteith, silver sugar sifter; Mr. and Mrs. Everard Fletcher, flower vases; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Drury, china pot pourri jar; Mrs. E. B. C. Hamington, silver vase; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vernon, silver toast rack; Mr. Cassidy, cut glass bowl; Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Lampman, copper water jug; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Courtney, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, silver magnifying glass; Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Troup, silver berry spoon; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Munn, cut glass dish; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Scott, pair cut glass vases; Miss V. Vernon, silver salt cellars; Mr. A. W. Vowell, silver and glass sherry decanter; Mr. John A. Gilbet, silver sugar spoon; Mr. E. V. Bodwell, bronze ornament; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, cut glass dish; Miss Bodwell, miniature Marie Antoinette; D. W. Higgins, silver butter dish; Dr. H. M. Robertson, Mr. Herbert Robertson, Mr. Tait Robertson, pair silver butter dishes; Miss Clapham, silver-mounted silk handbag; Miss Nora Jones, silver photo frame; Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Jones, water color picture by Mower Martin, in gilt frame; Dr. and Mrs. Lefevre, cut glass and silver water jug; Misses Lefevre, cut glass mustard pot; Mrs. E. Dickenson, turquoise and pearl hat pins; Mrs. Redfern, silver basket; Mrs. and the Misses Flumerfelt, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Bradburn, cut glass bowl; Miss Olive Boswell, silver photo frame; Mr. Ewart, cut glass dish; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Henshaw, silver teaspoons; Mr. Edward Colley, umbrella with silver handle; Miss E. Walker, water color; Miss Eva Loewen, dozen doilies, embroidered; Dr. and Mrs. Philpot, photo frame; Mr. and Mrs. Rithet, china vase; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Todd, bonbonniere; the Misses Drake, pair cut glass vases; Mr. and Miss Harvey, Japanese tea cosy; Mrs. Edward Harvey, cut glass dish; Mr. John Boyd, solid silver bowl; Mrs. and Miss Brignall, pair oxydized silver bonbon dishes; Colonel and Mrs. Walker Powell, Ottawa, travelling clock in morocco case; Mr. and Mrs. Berkeley Powell, Ottawa, pair solid silver dessert dishes; Maj. and Mrs. John Walsh, Ottawa, silver jewel casket; Miss Mary Walsh, Ottawa, gold spoon; the Misses Pemberton, pair glass and silver flower vases; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robertson, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Amberry, cut glass dish; Mrs. Frank Hamington, silver mustard pot; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Matson, cut glass and silver bowl; Mrs. and Miss Hickey, cut glass vase; Miss Janice Mason, silver spoon; Mrs. G. S. Holt, cut glass dish; Mrs. Mohun, cut glass butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Burns, china tea set; Mr. Geo. Bushby, cut glass vase; Mrs. F. Norton, antique silver buttons; Colonel, Mrs. and Miss Prior, cut glass vase; Mrs. E. A. Harris, wicker rocking chair; Dr. and Mrs. Ford Verrinder, silver claret jug; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Paul, sterling silver vase; Mrs. E. Burke, cut glass dish; C. and M., sterling silver vase; Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunsmuir, silver peppers and mustard pots; Mrs. Tilton, silver peppers and salts; Miss Ethel Tilton, brass ink bottle; Miss Evelyn Tilton, silk and chamois jewel case; Mr. and Mrs. E. Blackwood, cut glass dish; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spratt, silver cake knife; Mrs. and Miss Mara, glass decanter; Mrs. A. W. Jones, brass photo frame; Hon. P. O'Reilly, silver-mounted mirror; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Oliver, cut glass vase; Mrs. Ed. McQuade, cut glass and silver vase; Mrs. L. G. McQuade, cut glass dish; Mrs. Belyea, cloisonne vase; Mr. and Mrs. R. Mackenzie, framed water color sketches; Mr. H. E. Newton, silver pepper and mustard pots; Judge and Mrs. Harrison, Benares vase; Mr. Welby Solomon, silver cake basket; Forbes G. Vernon, cheque; Mrs. Alexander Munroe, cheque; Miss A. D. Cameron, leather-bound poems; Mr. A. B. Munroe, leather-bound Shakespeare plays; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Majolica vase; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barnard, vase; Commander Sandeman and Lieut. R. M. R. West, R.N., set pearl and enamel brooches; Dr. G. H. Duncan, spoon; Mrs. Henry Croft, silver tea caddy and spoon; Mrs. Maitland-Dougall, silk housewife; Miss Nonie Powell, silver-mounted purse; Mrs. Blaiklock, cut glass vase; Mrs. W. E. Green, brass candelebra; Capt. Umfreville, pearl brooch; Miss Phyllis Hendrie, ivory fan; Mrs. C. H. Lugrin, china bowl; Mr. and Mrs. Pannet, half dozen silver teaspoons; Miss Jenkinson, china tea cup and doilies; Mr., Mrs. and Miss E. Dickinson, Wedgewood jar; Mr. and Mrs. Maclure, picture; Mrs. S. Roberts, silver smelling salts; Mrs. Hibben, copper writing tray and stamp box; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Smith, silver bon-bon dishes; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pooley, china vases; Miss Keefer, sachet; Mrs. Hasell, book; Mr. Sydney Pitts, Turkish tabaret; Mrs. Walter Langley, half dozen hand-painted doilies; the Misses Stewart, Ottawa, silver dish; Dr. and Miss Osborne, Hamilton, silver dish; Miss Lyde King, pictures; Mr. and Mrs. McPhillips, half dozen volumes Shakespeare's plays; Mr. and Mrs. Jenns, framed photographs; Mr. A. J. C. Galletley, water colors, framed; Miss Newton, water color; Capt. and Mrs. Davidson, lace handkerchiefs; Mrs. B. J. Boulton, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Walsh Windle, cut glass vase; Mrs. F. S. Barnard, feather fan with tortoise shell sticks; Miss J. Keith Wilson, gilt clock; Mr. and Mrs. Crow Baker, half dozen Japanese bouillon cups; Miss O'Reilly and Mr. J. O'Reilly, cut glass scent bottle with gold stopper; Mr. and Mrs. McBride, half dozen silver spoons; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Green, cut glass bowl; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Ker, berry spoon; Mr. and Mrs. Paulin A. Irving, hand-carvy bound set of Shakespeare; Mrs. Gales and Miss Bales, three china tea cups; Mrs. Rocke Robertson, silver photo frame; Mrs. Keast, framed picture; Mrs. R. Jones, silver bell; Mrs. G. L. Milne, cut glass dish; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gibb, glass butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Campbell, cut glass bowl.

The presents from the groom's friends were:

Mrs. Fordham, cheque, household linen, silver, etc.; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fordham, England, dinner service; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fordham, England, silver urn; Sir Wilfred and Lady Lawson, England, cheque for piano; Miss E. Lawson, England, cheque for tea service; Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. Holland Hibbert, Miss J. Lawson, Mrs. Curwen, Mrs. Thruston, Mr. A. Lawson, Mr. G. Lawson, England, silver teapot, coffeepot, hot milk jug, sugar basin and cream jug; Mrs. Tenhouse, England, silver cream jug; Mr. and Mrs. C. Ware, set of silver salt, pepper and mustard pots; Friends and Servants of Melburn Bury, pair silver candlesticks; Servants and Friends of Phillimore Gardens, pair silver sugar basins and spoons; Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawson, set of coffee cups; Colonel and Mrs. Merritt, solid silver tea tray; Mr. and Mrs. Springman, Mr. and Mrs. Barber, two silver double entree dishes; Mr. and Mrs. Springman, silver carriage clock; Miss Kathleen Tonzel and Master Tom Barber, silver sugar sprinkler; Mr. C. M. Merritt, musical gong and copper breakfast warmer; the Misses Waddilove, silver mustard pot, Miss Georgiana Bell, silver grape scissors; Mrs. Johnson, Miss Anderson, mounted china butter dish; Mrs. Stanley and Misses Stanley, silver toast rack; Mr. W. Stanley, silver cigar cutter; Capt. and Mrs. Robertson, pair of Worcester candlesticks and extinguishers; Rev. R. H. Semple, pearl scarf pin; Mr. Henderson, gold horseshoe pin; Mr. W. Mortimer, solid silver salver; Mr. E. A. C. Bruce, Russian leather paper case and blotter; Miss Drury Lowe, Mr. E. Drury Lowe and Commander S. Drury Lowe, two silver-mounted pin cushions; Rev. J. de Verd Leigh, silver-mounted pocketbook; Mr. Barrett, travelling cushion in case; Mrs. Tonzel, silver card case; Miss V. Bowell, ebony hand-mirror; Miss Nonie Powell, antelope tobacco pouch; Mrs. Farrington, silver and glass match stand; Mrs. Stewart, salt cellar.

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THE DEFENCE HAS OPENED ITS CASE

CLARKE TELLS ABOUT COLWOOD SHOOTING

Says He Acted Entirely in Self-Defence—Murder Trial Has Been Adjourned.

The murder trial of Wong On and Wong Gow will not come up at the present Assizes until the 24th, or in other words when the Clarke case is finished an adjournment of the court will be taken to that date. This was decided upon yesterday afternoon when the proceedings were resumed. A. L. Belyea, K. C., who is representing the crown at the Assizes, announced that it would be inadvisable to proceed with the murder trial while a serious charge was hanging over some of the witnesses. W. J. Taylor, K. C., counsel for Wong On and Wong Gow, asked whether it was the intention to defer the murder trial until the next Assizes or adjourn the present sittings.

Mr. Belyea said the crown desired the present court to be adjourned for a month or until after the hearing of the charge of conspiracy against the witnesses. His Lordship suggested that the murder trial be adjourned until after the Nanaimo Assizes. The present situation was without precedent in his experience. Ultimately His Lordship determined to adjourn the court, after the Clarke trial, to the 24th, expressing the wish that the police court proceedings be conducted as rapidly as possible.

After the presentment of the grand jury, which appears in another column, J. M. Bradburn opened the case for the defence in Rex vs. Clarke. In doing so he commented on the seriousness of the charge, and said that the accused would not deny that he wounded Flannagan with a gun, but he was innocent of any criminal intent. On August 7th Flannagan and Scannell went to Clarke's hotel and a row started between them and the bartender. Clarke went to the latter's assistance, and in the fight received considerable injury. The soldiers went out or were put out, at any rate they went away. Subsequently they returned accompanied by two more men, and attempted to force an entrance into the house. After they had tried to force their way through the door and windows, Clarke got a gun and warned the men that if they did not desist from their attack on his house he would fire on them. One of the soldiers, Bowers, attempted to enter through the bar room window and Clarke fired over his head. The men then drew back and began throwing stones and breaking windows. Clarke again warned them, and then Flannagan approached, picking up a stone. On this Clarke fired at Flannagan's feet with the intention of stopping his advance and not to injure him seriously. Counsel expressed the opinion that the jury would find the shooting justifiable.

The accused, Percy Clarke, was then called. He swore he had resided on the Island for eight years, and had been lessee of the Colwood hotel for eighteen months. On the afternoon of August 7th, Flannagan, Scannell and two others came to the hotel. He sold them four bottles of beer, which they took out to the veranda to drink. They were making such a noise out there that he asked them to come inside, which they did. They came into the bar and witness went to another room. While there he heard a noise in the bar, and went in to see what was the matter. He found the bartender, Sam Hatherly, up against the door and the two men attacking him. Witness went to his assistance and dragged the nearest man off by his coat collar and hit him. Then a rough and tumble fight ensued, in which witness was severely hurt. His head was cut, he was badly kicked in the ribs and his teeth were injured to such an extent that he could not eat for some time after. The two soldiers went away, but he was afraid they might return and so sent Hatherly to Rodd Hill to fetch a picket. About 6 o'clock, while witness was sitting at an open window, Mr. Price drove up in a buggy and called to witness to come and help a man out of the buggy. Witness went to the buggy, but when he saw that the man lying in it was Scannell, he refused to help him out, and said he did not want him at the place because he was the man who had been fighting there.

He retired to the house and locked the door. The other soldiers, Flannagan, Bowers and McNeill, then came up and wanted to get a drink. This was refused. The men then asked him to come out and have his head punched. Witness and hi wife then shut the other door and the windows. The men tried to force open the bar room door, and on failing to do so, they kicked at the bar room windows and broke them. Two of the men, Flannagan and Scannell, were trying to climb through one of the windows, but witness and the bartender attacked them and drove them back. Then he saw Bowers break in another window and put his head through. He got his gun, which was behind the bar, and told Bowers to go away or he would shoot. Bowers did not go, so witness fired over his head, intending to frighten him away. Bowers then went. When the men began throwing stones at the windows witness went onto the veranda and told them if they did not cease attacking the house he would be compelled to fire upon them. When Flannagan picked up a stone and advanced towards the house, witness fired from the bar room at his feet and the man fell. He was afraid that if the soldiers had got into the house he would have been killed.

Mrs. Clarke's evidence corroborated that of her husband. W. G. Henley gave evidence of Clarke asking him to notify the provincial police that he had shot a man.

The court adjourned until this morning.

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A GAMBLER'S HAZARD.

Driven from one position to another on the transcontinental railway question, Mr. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, has made the last desperate gambler's cast and declared for government ownership and operation. He declares that in order to save interest on an enormous capital sum if he be victorious on November 3rd, the work of construction will be commenced at every available point and rushed through as rapidly as possible. That is what the government has asserted will be done, and for the same reason. The organs of the Conservative party in British Columbia, however, declare that it is the intention of the Grand Trunk Company to push the work through from the eastern end and that we in this province will be deprived of the "incidental benefits" connected with such a great undertaking.

It is perfectly evident at this stage of the political campaign that Mr. Borden's startling declaration has not made the sensation or the impression that was anticipated. Toronto, a city which dearly loves a hero no matter in what need his glory may have been won, and which is always glad of an excuse for a display of enthusiasm, is a pronouncedly Conservative town. But even Toronto evidently does not regard Mr. Borden as having been cast in a heroic mould. On his recent visit it received him with comparative coldness. As it was in Toronto, so it has been in all parts of Ontario, the province which is relied upon to give the Conservative party a majority on election day. Already it is quite evident that Ontario is not going to live up to the expectations of the Tory managers. Like the rest of the Dominion, Ontario has not been educated up to the point of accepting a Canadian Populist leader. The campaign is as hopeless as was that of Bryan in the United States four years ago.

But if the country were to perform the unexpected and endorse the railway policy of this Canadian Populist leader, would there not be some unexpected obstacles to the immediate construction of a great transcontinental railway by the government? In passing it may be noted that Mr. Borden has abandoned his contention that there was no necessity for the immediate construction of the new transcontinental railway because the means of communication are ample. The road cannot be built too quickly, he now admits. That being now admitted by all parties, what might follow in the impossible event of the defeat of the Laurier government? There is not a Conservative newspaper of any standing in the country that has not within a year most vehemently denounced government railways. A year or two ago an impression got abroad that it was the intention of the government to extend the Intercolonial. This drew from the Montreal Star the declaration: "A railway is run to make money. It can make the most money by accommodating the most people; therefore the railway in private hands will seek to accommodate the most people. But government railways are run with a constant eye to keep the government in power. They would be located with the same object in view, and if there were a choice between two places, one of which supported and the other did not support the government, there would be a poor chance for the latter." In 1903 the Toronto Mail and Empire, referring to the showing on the Intercolonial, said: "If this is not a warning against government ownership and management of railways, nothing in the world can be." And the chief organ of the Conservative party at that time actually advocated the handing over of the Intercolonial to a private company and ending completely the era of government ownership in Canada. In the present year the Montreal Gazette, which has not yet assented to the Populist policy, said on the subject of the government railway: "Owned by any other organization but a government, it would be bankrupt. It is an effective exhibit both against government ownership and the proposed construction by the government of another railway twice as long."

The father of the Conservative party himself, speaking of the construction of the Canadian Pacific, said: "We propose to build this continental railway by means of a company. Why? Because, as you know, we have learned by what we have gone through on the Intercolonial that railways can be constructed and operated more cheaply, more efficiently, more advantageously in every way, by a company than by a government. If our friends the Grits had had the Intercolonial in hand they would have experienced just the same troubles that we have. They would have discovered that while it is easy when you are out of office to talk of running things as you would run a counting-house, it is very different when you are actually the minister. You have then to resist the importunities of powerful friends, or yield to them, as the case may be. You have a hundred men looking for one contract or one office, each of them coming down on you like an army with banners. You have your own merchants wanting to sell you supplies at their own figure, the workingman threatening you if you do not increase his pay, and claims which a company road would never entertain rising up against you night and day and calling for settlement on pain of having the claimants go over in a body to the Grit party to get the fair and honest treatment that you deny them. Mr. Mackenzie says he is a practical man, but I wish him joy if he ever has to conduct the Intercolonial from Ottawa."

In after years Mr. Alexander Mackenzie undertook to build the Canadian Pacific railway as a public work. When his government was defeated in 1878, Sir John Macdonald, in accordance with the principles he had enunciated, immediately turned the concern over to a private company, together with bonuses and privileges of almost fabulous value, justifying his action in the following words: "The government had every right to use all their exertions in order to relieve themselves and the country of the obligation of building this road and of the still greater obligation of running it. We see this in the Intercolonial and in every public work. Why, sir, it is actually impossible for the government to run that railroad satisfactorily. The men that we put on the road from the porter upwards become civil servants. If one is put on for any purpose whatever he is said to be a political hack. If he is removed it is said his removal was on account of his political opinions. If a cow is killed on the road a motion is made in respect to it by the member of the House who has the owner's vote as support. The responsibility, the expense, the worry and annoyance of a government having charge of such a work, are such that, from these causes alone, it was considered advisable to get rid of the responsibility." Is there a greater than Sir John at the head of the Conservative party to-day? Could the difficulties he found to be insurmountable and insuperable be successful met and completely overcome by R. L. Borden and John Haggart? And when we come down to the present time we find that the Conservative Senators, mostly appointed by Sir John Macdonald, are impregnated to the heart with the doctrines he enunciated. Times readers have seen the resolution Senator Macdonald all but moved in the Upper Chamber during the last session of the House. The leader of the Conservative party in the Senate, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, after examining the result of government ownership and operation of railways in Australia, has no hesitation in proclaiming his conviction that Canada would make a great mistake in trying to follow the example of the Commonwealth. Consequently, apart altogether from the attitude of the Liberal Senators, if Mr. Borden were Premier the Senate would reject with ignominy his transcontinental railway scheme, and the work would be postponed indefinitely. The unanimous opinion of the country now is that a second transcontinental railway is urgently required. In order that there shall be no delay and in order that the possibility of Populist experiments shall not be countenanced, it is essential that the Laurier government shall be sustained. Of course the people of the Dominion are thoroughly seized of the situation, they recognize the desperation of the position of Gambler Borden, and there is no doubt whatever as to their verdict.

INSTRUMENTS OF PURIFICATION

"There can be no question about it in the mind of any person that the general tone of politics has lowered." The great Conservative party will undertake to set about the elevation of the tone of public life if the people of Canada will give it the opportunity by voting for its candidates on the 3rd of November. But we do know that the mere assertion of a Tory organ that the tone of public life has been lowered should be accepted as conclusive. One of the men who was a member of the government which was described with unanimity by the British press as a disgrace to the Empire is at the head of the so-called Liberal-Conservative Union of British Columbia.

The verdict of the British press in regard to the administration of which Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper was a distinguished ornament was that: "Rascals out of office defraud the public in order to bribe rascals in office, and rascals in office prostitute themselves, sacrifice their honor and forsake their trust, in order to keep on good terms with the rascals out of office." We submit that the tone of public life must be distinctly higher after eight years of Liberal rule, because no one ever reads except in some Tory organ (and therefore pays no attention to it) of such scandals as under the rule of the Tuppers caused all true Canadians to hang their heads in shame.

We suspect the knightly Tupper who deems it the part of prudence to keep his political armor burnished against the day when the party he honors with his support may be called upon to administer the affairs of Canada has never forgiven the British people for the scathing denunciation of Tory methods that appeared in their newspapers. He does not believe in the unity of the Empire, or preferential trade, or in any of the measures statesmen of broad views have been advocating since the development of the trade policy of the Laurier government for the consolidation and permanent constitution of a Greater Britain. At one time in his prosperous career as a politician (Sir Charles is only an active worker for his party when the sun of popular favor shines upon it and the pay of a cabinet minister is sure) he declared that Great Britain had been driven from the civilized markets of the world and was constrained to force her wares upon barbarous peoples at the mouths of cannon and the points of bayonets. We suppose it is in order to hasten the downfall of Britain and prove his sagacity and foresight that the President of the Conservative Union of British Columbia proposes to absolutely close British goods out of the markets of Canada through the policy of "adequate protection" which he and his leaders (if he will excuse us for assuming that a Tupper will condescend to follow any leader) advocate.

And with reference to the alleged lowering of the tone of public life, what means are to be taken to elevate or raise the said tone to the level aimed at by the Tuppers and the Fosters and the Haggarts, and the other members of the late government who were not irrevocably driven from public life by reason of the scandal of their unique connection with contractors and other grafters? That profound political purist, Colonel Prior, has been nominated by the Conservatives to represent the important constituency of Victoria. The work of reformation is to begin right at home. The man who never in his life conducted an honest election and who openly set about carrying his methods into the department of the provincial government of which he assumed charge, who opened tenders and ordered his subordinate, in spite of that official's protests, to hold them back until the firm of which he is the chief stockholder should have an opportunity to submit bids. Colonel Prior is to be the bearer of the milk-white banner of political purity in the capital of British Columbia! And all the Tory newspapers which denounced his conduct and called upon the representative of the Crown to dismiss the Colonel from office because of such scandalous doings, such unheard-of and callous disregard of political, public and commercial morality—all the Tory newspapers and all the erstwhile scandalized politicians clap their hands. Even the Ministers who took part in the inquiry which resulted in the dismissal of Colonel Prior and have profited themselves and brought further evil upon the province by his downfall—even the Ministers are consenting and approving parties to his nomination.

Such is the local history of the noble Tory movement to purify the political life and elevate the political tone of the Dominion! The party which dragged the name of Canada in the mire when it was in power is now doing its worst to asperse the character of the people of the country in the vain hope that some of the dirt it throws may adhere to Liberal leaders.

Sir Hibbert Tupper has recovered from his sulks and is taking an active part on behalf of his leader. A clear indication that the gallant knight realizes that his claims upon the leadership are nil. But when we behold Sir Hibbert contesting a seat, then all Canada may understand that he has hopes of his ungrateful and unappreciative party winning an election. Whenever there are aspirants for cabinet positions gathered around a victorious leader, a Tupper will be found in the midst of them. In the meantime politics are not profitable, and none of the Tuppers is actively in politics.

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The Colonist says that in 1900 the country, outside of Quebec, split even, and that therefore Sir Wilfrid Laurier's native province gave him his majority. This statement is made for the obvious purpose of arousing antagonism to the Premier; it is an appeal to race prejudice. Like nearly all that appears in our contemporary under the new and enlightened regime which evidently aims at demonstrating that there is no longer any reason to question the orthodoxy of its political faith, this statement is not true. If Quebec had been left out of the list entirely Sir Wilfrid Laurier would still have had a majority. He received a majority of the popular vote, and was supported by a majority of the representatives of every province of the Dominion save Ontario and Manitoba. The organ must set down the majority of its readers as either very ill-informed or very credulous.

THE TUPPER "MANIFESTO."

To the Editor:—Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, "as president of the Liberal-Conservative Union for this province," has written a letter to the electors of British Columbia, because he deemed it to be his "duty to call attention to issues upon which they are asked to pass judgement in a short time." I can be doing no injustice to Sir Charles in assuming that he has written the best letter he could. It occupies three and a half newspaper columns, which indicates that he did not feel at all restricted in the use of space. The electors may, therefore, take it for granted that Sir Charles felt, when he signed the letter, that he had exhausted the subject. There is only one reference in it to the larger question of federal policy, and this is confined to three short paragraphs on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. The letter is, for the most part, a misleading statement, intended to arouse local prejudice. His reference to the Grand Trunk Pacific will be dealt with later. I shall first take up the other questions.

Sir Charles appeals to the electors of British Columbia because of the attitude of the Liberal party in the following matters:

1. A reconsideration of the financial terms between the Dominion and the Province.

2. Protection to the lumber and shingle industry.

3. Protection to the lead industry.

The "financial terms" between the Dominion and the Province were not settled by Sir Wilfrid Laurier or the Liberal party. They were fixed thirty-three years ago by negotiations between the government of this Province and the Dominion government of which Sir John Macdonald was leader. It was an arrangement made by a Conservative federal Premier with a Conservative local government, and if it was unfair to this province, the Liberals are surely not in any way to blame. The arrangement continued during the closing year of Sir John's first administration, the five years of the Liberal administration, the eighteen years of the second Conservative regime and seven years of Liberal administration without any suggestion of a change. Since Mr. McBride came into power, a formal request has been for what is called "better terms," and it has been neither acquiesced in nor refused. Sir Charles seeks to create the impression that Col. Prior in 1900 and 1901 demanded better terms for British Columbia. He did nothing of the kind. Col. Prior on the occasion referred to confined himself to an effort to show that British Columbia by reason of its large contribution to the federal revenue was entitled to larger annual appropriations than it had received. There is not a word or a suggestion in his speeches that the "financial terms between the Dominion and the Province" should be "reconsidered." This being the case, the quotations made by Sir Charles from the Colonel's speeches in 1901 and from Sir Wilfrid Laurier's reply have no bearing whatever upon the issue which Sir Charles seeks to raise. I shall later show what Col. Prior did ask, what Sir Wilfrid Laurier said in reply, what Mr. Borden said and what has been done to meet the reasonable proposition that the expenditures in the province should have some relation to the revenue derived from the province. At present my point is that the question of better terms to British Columbia has never been before parliament. Sir Charles must surely know this, and he must have been presuming upon a popular ignorance, which does not exist, when he sought to create the impression that it has been. I say "create the impression," because Sir Charles is adroit enough to avoid a direct untruth while conveying a false idea.

I also wish to point out that the "financial terms" between the Dominion and the provinces are not based upon the respective contributions of the latter towards the federal revenue. These contributions must fluctuate from year to year, and it is absolutely impossible to ascertain what each province actually pays, for the reason that goods which pay duty or excise in a particular province are not necessarily consumed in that province. I admit that at present the observation does not apply with much force to British Columbia, but if this province ever becomes, as we hope it will, a great importer of goods consumed in the Northwest, there will be as good reason then to refuse to credit British Columbia all the duties paid here as there is now to refuse to credit Quebec with all the duties paid in Montreal. The following observation cannot be successfully disputed: The payments out of the Dominion treasury to the respective provinces are not based upon the contributions of the respective provinces to the treasury, and cannot be so based according to any principle of equity.

It is otherwise as to federal expenditures in this province, and this was the point to which Col. Prior directed his speech in 1901, from which Sir Charles quotes in his letter.

Col. Prior's first complaint was that the Chinese head tax was not high enough, and that the province should receive a greater proportion of it.

The second complaint was that the province was not dealt with as liberally as it ought to be in the matter of railway subsidies.

The third point related to the expenditures in connection with the fisheries and the establishment of traps, Col. Prior asking that the control of the fisheries should be vested in the province.

The fourth point was a request for a subsidy to wooden ships built in the province.

The fifth and last point related to the establishment of a mint.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, instead of indulging in a "flout and sneer," as Sir Charles alleges, replied in a speech which fills five columns of Hansard. He took up Col. Prior's points in detail. As to the mint, he drew attention to the fact that Col. Prior had himself admitted that the grievance on this head could be met by the establishment of an assay office. In regard to subsidies to wooden ships, he said it was a new proposal calling for serious consideration before being adopted. As to the fisheries, he said the question was one that was open for discussion. The Chinese head tax would be dealt with, he promised, after the report of the commissioner, which had been appointed, and the request which the British Columbia government had preferred for a larger proportion of the tax would be considered. As to the railways, he said he had "a good deal of sympathy" with Col. Prior and British Columbia in the demand for additional railways, and that the government was, and always had been, ready to assist in opening the province by this means. The alleged "flout and sneer" was simply a pleasant allusion to the matter in which Col. Prior had presented his case.

Mr. Borden, leader of the opposition, spoke briefly during the debate, the principal thing he said being that he could not accept Col. Prior's comparison between the contributions of British Columbia and Nova Scotia to the federal revenue.

So much for the discussion in parliament. There is not in it from end to end a suggestion of any one bearing upon the question of "better terms." Col. Prior did not hint in the remotest way at any readjustment of the financial relations of the Province and the Dominion. Yet this is the debate which Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper relies upon to show that when the question of better terms was presented to the government on the floor of the House it was greeted with a flout and sneer from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. His complete perversion of the facts must have been deliberate, because Sir Charles had Hansard before him when he wrote his letter, as the quotations from it show.

The several matters referred to by Col. Prior had already occupied the attention of the government, as Sir Wilfrid said, and the principal of them have since been dealt with. The Chinese head tax was increased to $500, and the share which the province received was also increased; very liberal subsidies were given to railways; fish traps have been allowed, and the whole question of fisheries has been taken up in a vigorous and business-like way.

Sir Charles's second point refers to the request for a duty on lumber. Reduced to its simplest terms, the request is that a duty shall be imposed on lumber so as to preserve the market of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories for the output of the British Columbia mills by excluding lumber from the United States. The mill men in the other provinces do not ask for a duty. It may be conceded that if a duty were imposed upon lumber the British Columbia mills would be benefited thereby, and the Liberal representatives of the province at Ottawa did their best to secure it. It has not been imposed, and the explanation is a very simple one. The manufacture and export of lumber is a very important industry in every part of Canada, except Manitoba, Prince Edward's Island and the Territories, and, with the possible exception of British Columbia, the business has everywhere adjusted itself to the provisions of the Fielding tariff. Before a change is made, which, while benefitting some, may very seriously and prejudicially affect thousands of others, the greatest consideration is necessary. The government proposes a revision of the tariff, after a commission has investigated the subject and reported as to what changes are desirable. If the question of lumber duties is left in abeyance until that commission has reported, it cannot be truthfully said that the course is not a wise one. If only one industrial establishment or one locality were affected there might be reason to complain of delay, but as the matter is one that affects every part of Canada, it may very properly be left to be dealt with when the whole question of tariff revision comes up. I think reasonable men will admit that this view of the case is correct.

Sir Charles's third point has reference to the lead industry. This question occupied the attention of the government, and as every one knows, a very substantial bounty was given to lead produced in Canada, under which the lead industry revived and a lead-manufacturing plant has been established at Trail. The condition of the lead-producing industry is now very satisfactory. Sir Charles's observations on this subject had apparently no other object than to fill out space.

In conclusion I will refer briefly to what Sir Charles says about the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. He makes two statements. One of them is that "the Atlantic terminus will be at Portland, in the state of Maine." It is difficult to know how to deal with a writer who so deliberately misstates the facts as Sir Charles does in the sentence quoted. The very essence of the contract is that it provides for an all-Canadian line. Section 42 of the contract reads as follows:

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In charity to Sir Charles, I assume that owing to his prolonged absence from parliament he was not aware of this provision in the contract which secures, as far as legislation can secure it, that the Grand Trunk Pacific will be all-Canadian, not only as to the route, but as to its traffic.

Sir Charles's second observation as to the railway is that the company refused to agree to begin construction simultaneously at both termini. In other words he complains because the company would not agree to delay beginning work at Winnipeg until the Pacific terminus had been selected and the line through this province had been fully surveyed. To state such a complaint is to answer it.

The foregoing are the only reasons why in the opinion of Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper the people of British Columbia should withdraw their support from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Emanating from any other source they would be described as puerile as to argument and false as to facts. Coming from so distinguished a source I hardly know how to characterize them.

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—"A Friend of the Family," the farcical comedy written solely for laughing purposes, contains dialogue which is presented with such dash and vim that it simply bubbles with effervescence. The company is composed of recognized artists, and notwithstanding the fact that until this season the play was an unknown quantity in America, it has certainly "caught on" with the lover of good, clean cut comedy. "A Friend of the Family" will occupy the boards at the Victoria theatre to-night.

—Alf. P. James made quite a hit last night at the Crystal theatre with his recitations. He had the audience with him from the start. Latosca, as Happy Hooligan, also made quite a favorable impression; his bicycle and unicycle riding is excellent. Connors and Connors had their trunks carried to Vancouver by mistake and had to borrow clothes to appear in, but they were well received and gave satisfaction. Price and Lysle have a clever sketch and called forth great applause. The bill all through is a good one.

—This afternoon at 3 o'clock Mrs. A. D. Rutherford, Dominion president of the W. C. T. U., is addressing a meeting of the Y. W. C. T. U. The meeting is being held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. On Thursday evening it has been arranged that Mrs. Rutherford shall give a public address in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Methodist church under the auspices of the local W. C. T. U. She will during her tour of the West visit Vancouver, Nanaimo and New Westminster, and will also meet the unions along the route of the Crow's Nest Pass railway on her way back.

—The old judge's stand at Bowker Park race course is to be replaced by a new up-to-date one before next year's races. During the visit of Robt. Leighton, the presiding judge at this year's races, that gentleman outlined the general plans for a modernly equipped stand with weighing offices for the jockeys beneath and all other appurtenances. W. J. Hanna offered to construct the stand if others interested would contribute the material. Mr. Leighton offered to send a set of plans to work from. Col. E. G. Prior offered to donate the hardware, and L. W. Paisley, of Chilliwack, a gong; and it is understood that Mr. Sayward will furnish the lumber.

—The quarterly general meeting of the board of trade will be held on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Business: Coasting Laws—Resolution requesting cancellation of order-in-council permitting other than Canadian vessels to carry Canadian freight destined to the Yukon upon the Canadian Pacific railway undertaking to provide a thoroughly efficient and up-to-date service. Harbor Improvement—Resolved, that the Dominion government be asked to appoint an experienced engineer to report upon the best plan of forming a large ocean harbor by the construction of a breakwater between Brotchie Ledge and Holland Point, or otherwise, and prepare an estimate of the cost of same. Songhee Indian Reserve—Report of special committee.

—It is quite probable that Mary Hallock, the well known student of the pianoforte, will appear in this city on November 3rd and 4th. Mrs. D. R. Harris is endeavoring to arrange for the recitals by this talented lady, and is circulating a subscription list with this purpose in view. So far she has met with considerable success, but requires about 200 additional to subscribe for seats in order to insure the appearance of Miss Hallock. The A. O. U. W. hall will be secured. One evening will be devoted to a lecture-recital on "Pulse and Rhythm in Verse and Music." Miss Hallock comes from St. Louis to San Francisco, then to Portland, and if arrangements can be made will appear here after the Portland engagement. Following that the Century Club of Seattle has made arrangements to have her appear in that city.

—Will this make you get your Xmas photos early? The Skene Lowe studio will make twelve portraits on silk texture, platino mounted, on flexible boards, each portrait inclosed in a handsome portfolio to match, for $5.00 cash during the month of October. Last month the price was $7.00. Next month it will again be $7.00.

JAP INFANTRYMEN BEST IN WORLD

OPINION OF FAMOUS WAR CORRESPONDENT

Group Returned by the Empress Liner From Service With Armies in the Orient.

The Empress of Japan last evening brought among her passengers a little group composing some of the most famous war correspondents of the world. These were E. J. Knight, of the London Post; Fred Palmer, of Collier's Weekly; Richard Harding Davis, of New York, who is famous not alone as a newspaper writer but as a novelist; and George Lynch, of the London Chronicle. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Palmer, who accompanied their husbands as far as Tokio, were also aboard, returning to their homes. These men are all at the top of the profession, and it will be through such as they that the true history of the war between Russia and Japan will be learned.

Mr. Knight and Mr. Palmer have the most interesting story to tell. They were with the First Army Corps sent to the front, and they remained with it until a few weeks ago, when, after the battle of Liao Yang, they decided to go home for the winter at least.

The full story of the great battle of Liao Yang is yet to be read, and no better description of it will appear than that written by E. J. Knight, the veteran war correspondent. He expects upon reaching London to give probably the first full description of the battle which will be made public.

Mr. Knight has been through fourteen campaigns, which represents service in nearly every part of the world. An armless sleeve hanging at his side is a reminder of the South African war, where at Graspan the famous correspondent had his arm shot off.

He expects to return to Manchuria next year, believing that the war will be continued.

Attached to the army of Gen. Kuroki, both Mr. Knight and Mr. Palmer have the greatest admiration for that officer. Mr. Knight says that whatever the obstacles might have been which were thrown in the way of the correspondents which went out with the second army, nothing can be said against the treatment accorded those with the first army. In no way were the latter prevented from seeing all that was to be seen, and he has no complaint to offer against the Japanese.

In view of the fact that Mr. Knight has had the opportunity of seeing the armies of nearly every nation engaged in active service, his opinion of the contending forces cannot fail to be regarded as having considerable authority. He was with Kuroki's army from the Yalu until after the evacuation of Liao Yang by the Russians. He has seen the Japanese army in all kinds of service, in fighting, in forced marching and all the other many experiences connected with the army's victorious sweep through Manchuria. He says, after the intimate acquaintance thus gained of the Mikado's fighting forces, that he has no hesitation in pronouncing the Japanese infantry soldier as the best of his branch in the world. The cavalry is not as proficient as in some other countries, but the infantry stands in the forefront among the armies of the world.

With reference to the war continuing throughout the winter months, Mr. Knight was unable to say anything definite. The secretiveness of the Japanese forbade any definite knowledge with respect to this being received. The weather, he thinks, is rather too cold to allow of much being done in the field throughout the winter. The Japanese, of course, he says, carried on war throughout the winter in the previous conflict, and may do the same again. There is not a very heavy fall of snow but the great difficulty would be in bivouacking in the severe weather.

Circumstances seem to warrant the opinion which is held that the Russian army in many instances is badly officered. Bearing this out, Mr. Knight recalls the fact that one Russian general stood idly by with a force of 10,000 men without firing a shot while Gen. Kuroki's force threw a pontoon bridge across a river and marched over. The same general was reported to have lost 1,500 men in a subsequent engagement.

Learning that the reports from the front indicated that Gen. Kouropatkin was assuming the aggressive and was moving south to meet the Japs, Mr. Knight and Mr. Palmer both agreed that if this was true it would mean disaster to the Czar's forces. Mr. Knight thinks the Russians are not a match for their antagonists, who will eventually win.

A mistaken opinion he says seems to prevail that the Japanese nation is reaching a point where its resources are exhausted. This is incorrect. The Japanese have not yet reached that stage by any means, and is well able to continue the war all next year.

He was asked if he thought there was likely to be any intervention. His reply was in the negative. He could not see how at the present time any intervention could take place. The war would have to be fought out by the two powers directly concerned, and Mr. Knight has little doubt as to the conclusion. He fully expects the Japs to win.

The attention of the correspondent was called to the fact that considerable praise was being bestowed upon Kouropatkin for what was described as his "brilliant work" in connection with the evacuation of Liao Yang.

Mr. Knight considered that there was no "brilliant work" done. The Russian general occupied a strong position at Liao Yang. He was aware of attacking forces coming against him from the south and Gen. Kuroki's force from the northeast. Entrenched in his position, the Russian refused to give decided opposition to the southern army but threw the main force to check the advance of Gen. Kuroki and effect a retreat. With three times the number which General Kuroki commanded, and in his own territory, it could not be considered a brilliant piece of work to hold the Japanese army back while the retreat was effected.

On account of the Empress liner remaining only a few minutes at the wharf the interview with the group of war correspondents had to be cut off abruptly.

PUBLIC MEETING
In the Interest of the
Liberal Party
A. O. U. W. Hall,
Friday, October 14th, 1904
Doors open at 7.45 p. m. Chair Taken at 8.15 p. m.

FAMOUS SOLDIER REACHES THE CITY

IS HERE ON ANNUAL TOUR OF INSPECTION

Major-General Sir Charles Parsons, the Head of the Imperial Forces in Canada.

A distinguished visitor, one who deserves well of his country, arrived in the city last evening in the person of Major-General Sir Charles Parsons, K. C. M. G., R. A., general officer commanding the Imperial forces in Canada. Accompanied by his staff he came over from the Mainland on the Princess Victoria, and is the guest of Major Bland, R. E.

This is Major-General Parsons's third trip to the coast since his appointment as general officer commanding. His first visit was in May, 1902, and last year he came in September. His present visit, as usual, is for the purpose of inspection, but it is of especial interest at this time in view of the activity prevailing at Esquimalt. The operations on Signal Hill, the precise nature of which the public can only surmise, are based on a comprehensive plan for the strengthening of this base, and Major-General Parsons's report and recommendations, therefore, will carry considerable weight with the authorities.

The general officer will be here about a week.

Major-General Parsons succeeded Col. V. R. Biscoe, who was in temporary command of the Imperial forces upon the resignation of Lord Seymour on July 9th, 1900. Sir Charles was born on May 9th, 1855, and joined the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, on August 17th, 1874. He was promoted captain October 7th, 1883; brevet major, October 14th, 1888, and regimental major, September 11th, 1891; brevet lieutenant-colonel, November, and brevet colonel, 1898.

His staff service consists of his employment with the Egyptian army from 1883 to 1884, following which he was aide-de-camp to the governor and commander-in-chief, Malta, for more than a year. He was aide-de-camp to the general officer commanding the Eastern division and aide-de-camp to the general commanding at Aldershot from January, 1889, to March, 1892. He was employed with the Egyptian army from May, 1892, to February, 1896, (governor of the Red Sea littoral and commandant at Suakin). He was assistant adjutant-general for the Woolwich district and colonel on the staff commanding the Royal Artillery, Curragh district. From January 16th to February 13th of the same year he was colonel on the staff, Royal Artillery, and from February 14th, 1900, to November 27th, 1901, he was assistant inspector lines of communication in South Africa.

His war services follow:

South African war, 1877-81, Kaffir campaign. Served in the operations against the Kaikas, and commanded two guns at action of Intaba Ka'Udoda, Zulu campaign; battles of Isandlwana and Ulundi; also as acting D.A.A. and Q.M.G. from April 27th to May 27th, 1880. Dispatches, London Gazette, August 21st, 1879; medal with clasp.

Transvaal campaign, actions at Laing's Nek at Ongogo (severely wounded) and horse shot). Dispatches, London Gazette, March 10th and 21st, 1881. Egyptian expedition, 1882, action at Mahsameh and Kassassin (horse shot) and battle of Tel-el-Kebir. Dispatches, London Gazette, November 2nd, 1882; medal with clasp, bronze star, fifth class Medjidie, brevet of major. Expedition to Dongola, 1896, commanded Egyptian artillery operations of September 19th. Dispatches, London Gazette, November 3rd, 1896; brevet of lieutenant-colonel, Egyptian medal with clasp.

Nile expedition, 1898, capture of Gedaref and subsequent engagements. In command of the force. Dispatches, London Gazette, December 9th, 1898; brevet of colonel, clasp to Egyptian medal, K. C. M. G.

South African war, 1899-1901, on staff; deputy military governor of northern Cape Colony and commandant West Kimberley district. Also acted as assistant inspector-general southern section lines of communication, and in command of the eastern and western districts. Dispatches, London Gazette, September 10th, 1901.

AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS.

Visit of an Old Civil Servant to Victoria.

John Dyke, for 35 years a member of the Canadian civil service, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Raymond Pope, at Saanich. Mr. Dyke was Dominion government agent at the port of Liverpool, England, for 21 years, and established the export cattle trade from the Dominion, and with many other branches of the enormous business now done his name is closely identified.

It is 15 years since Mr. Dyke last visited Vancouver Island, and he has been much impressed with the material improvement of Victoria city, as also with the great movement now on foot in connection with fruit culture, and spent considerable time in examining the wonderful exhibits made at the recent exhibition. Previous to his returning to his family in London, England, he will spend some time in the Okanagan valley, where friends of his have recently made very extensive investments in land, and these will bring out farmers and fruit and hop raisers from several parts of England. Mr. Dyke was a passenger to Vancouver by the Princess Victoria this morning.

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A SPLENDID CONCERT.

Large Number Enjoyed Programme By Pupils of E. G. Wickens.

As each concert given by the pupils of Prof. E. G. Wickens shows the improvement in their playing made during the past twelve months, so also does the enjoyment afforded by these annual events increase, and last night's was one of the best ever given by the students. The concert took place at the A. O. U. W. hall, which was well filled. There were 14 numbers on the programme, and each one drew forth long and hearty applause. Three of the young pupils gave solos, Miss Nancy Harrison on the piano, and Miss Beryl Moss and Master Horace Plimley on the violin. Master Plimley's solo was "The Harp That Once," arranged by E. G. Wickens. It was rendered in a manner that was loudly applauded. Miss Nancy Harrison's piano solo, "Concertstucke Op. 79," was also well received, and the performer was presented with a bouquet. "Life Let Us Cherish," also arranged by E. G. Wickens, was rendered on the violin by Miss Beryl Moss, who was compelled to repeatedly bow acknowledgments of the applause which her playing elicited. She, too, received a basket of flowers and a bouquet.

The youthful performers were assisted in the concert by Mrs. W. E. Staneland, who sang as her first number "Coeurs et Fleurs," accompanied on the piano by J. Longfield. In the latter part of the evening she gave "For All Eternity," J. Longfield playing the violin and A. Longfield the piano. Mrs. Wm. Gregson sang "Ah 'Tis a Dream," and J. Gordon gave "Queen of the Earth."

About 40 instrumentalists took part in the concert, and four pianos were used. The proceeds will go towards furnishing the sun room for convalescents at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital.

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VICTORIA TEAM DEFEAT SHAMROCKS

IN LACROSSE MATCH PLAYED HERE YESTERDAY

The Score Was Eight Goals to Seven—The Game Described—Boxing Contest To-morrow Evening.

Victoria, 8; Shamrocks, 7. This was the result of the lacrosse match played yesterday afternoon at the Caledonia grounds. It was witnessed by a crowd of about 200. From a spectator's standpoint the game was interesting, the occasional fast combination on both sides rousing some enthusiasm. On the whole, however, the match was not contested with sufficient vim to excite those occupying seats in the grand stand. Cheering was rare; in fact only faint applause greeted Victoria when successful in scoring against their opponents. The locals played well together, and showed up splendidly against the Winnipeg stick-handlers in sprinting, combination and shooting. The Shamrocks seemed to lack spirit, and, while they would rush at intervals, these did not often count for anything. Art Belfry, the two Lorimers, McConnell and other Victoria players made too strong a defence to be often penetrated by such tactics.

As announced, the game commenced at 3 o'clock, and when the teams lined up it was apparent that the visitors had the advantage in weight. But the locals did not allow this to interfere with their play. From the start Haughton, the centre man, secured the ball and passed to West. The latter player, with his usual coolness, transferred to Roskamp, who was in front of the flags. He made the catch neatly, and immediately the ball was sent straight into the Shamrock's goal net, completely beating the custodian. In half a minute the Shamrocks had evened, taking the ball into the local flags by means of pretty combination of a snappy character.

When the game recommenced Roskamp secured the ball and made a first-class run. He passed to Haughton, who made a splendid shot which lodged in the goal-keeper's stick. Then Stevens got the ball and transferred to Fred. Cullin. He made a successful shot. Shortly after the Shamrocks again evened matters, making the score 2-2.

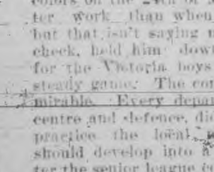
Just before the expiration of the time limit for the first quarter, Victoria again made a goal, Fred. Cullin putting the ball into the net. This was the result of a splendid run by Haughton, a pass to Roskamp and a transfer from the latter to Cullin.

Almost as soon as play again started the Shamrocks crowded about the local flags. They shot, but W. Lorimer cleared, making a clever stop. Again they came to the attack with short, sharp passes that were difficult to follow. This time a goal resulted. A few minutes after Roskamp secured the ball some distance from the goal, but sending in a swift low shot he scored. For some time afterwards the game was fairly even, J. Finlaison finally secured, and, putting the ball over to F. Cullin, the latter dropped it into the net. The score was now 5-3 in Victoria's favor.

A determined rush on the part of the visitors opened the third quarter. Their efforts were successful, but almost immediately after Morris scored again for the locals. Combination between Haughton, Stevens and Cullin soon resulted in another goal. The quarter finally ended with a score of 7-5, with the home twelve in the lead.

In the last quarter the Shamrocks fought hard. While the locals were only able to score once, the Shamrocks secured two goals. They made desperate attempts to make the score even before the whistle blew, but their efforts were without avail.

When in form there is no doubt that the Shamrocks would be a dangerous team. They are mostly small, fast men, and occasionally showed signs of really brilliant combination. Among the home players was O'Brien, one of the players who went on the field in blue and white colors on the 24th of May. He did better work than when with the locals, but that isn't saying much. Belfry, his check, held him down effectually. As for the Victoria boys they played a steady game. The combination was admirable. Every department, the home, centre and defence, did creditably. With practice the local material available should develop into a team able to enter the senior league confident of success.



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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

MUST WIN CUP AGAIN.

At the general monthly meeting of the British Columbia District Association, held on Monday evening, mentioned in yesterday's Times, it was resolved that there must be three intermediate teams before a league could be formed.

In regard to the cup, it was ruled that the V. W. A. A. had not yet captured it for three successive seasons. In 1902 the competition had been for a special cup put up by the association and won by the Capitals. Victoria West had won it only in 1901 and 1903. If they were successful this year the trophy could rightfully be considered their property.

It was decided that two points would be given against any team defaulting one of the scheduled matches. The teams on the grounds would be required to line-up and formally kick a goal.

The president, Rev. W. W. Bolton, formally announced that the arrangements for a tour of an English amateur team through Canada had been placed in the hands of the provincial association.

Officials of the junior league were directed to pay special attention to having all players within the age limit of 16 years. It was decided to disqualify any team infringing this rule.

A resolution was spread on the minutes thanking the Times and Colonist for the interest taken in the game and the careful reports of all meetings.

The next monthly meeting will be held during the first week in November. Due notice will be given by the executive.

THE PROVINCIAL LEAGUE.

It has not yet been decided whether it would be advisable to recommend the playing of the final game for the provincial championship away from Nanaimo. Rev. W. W. Bolton, vice-president of the association, mentions the appended three reasons why the present rule should not be altered:

1. The cup was given with that proviso.

2. To put another cup up would cause needless friction and natural offence, which we are anxious to avoid.

3. In no city of the province can a larger attendance be secured for Association football than at Nanaimo.

The stand taken by Rev. Mr. Bolton appears reasonable, but it is doubtful if it will meet with the support of the majority of local football enthusiasts. It is, to say the least, a most unusual regulation that makes it imperative that the final game of a championship series should be played on any particular grounds. Another contention is that the placing of another cup in competition "would cause needless friction and natural offence." Why should Nanaimo players be any more offended at coming to Ladysmith or Victoria to play the final match than the latter teams at going to the Coal City? What is fair for one is certainly fair for another, and the Nanaimo football club should be willing to allow the constitution to be so revised that the cup tie might be played on the grounds of the different competing clubs in regular order.

Another argument is that larger gate receipts can be obtained at Nanaimo than in any other city in the province. This may be so at the present time, but it is no reason why all the best games should be played there. If Victorians are not treated to first-class exhibitions it cannot be expected that they will turn out in good numbers. To make the pastime popular here it will be necessary to bring the best of the champion series off on local grounds occasionally.

THE TURF.

NEW YORK SALE.

New York, Oct. 11.—The imported stallion Meddler, of the stud of the late W. C. Whitney, was sold to-night at Madison Square Garden to Matthew Corbett for $51,000. Meddler was originally owned by George Abingdon Baird, better known as "Squire" Abingdon, the English millionaire, and when the Baird horses were sold after their owner's death, Meddler was bid in for $72,500, by J. Malcolm Forbes, of Boston, at whose death he was bid in by Sidney Paget, acting for Mr. Whitney, for $49,000.

Of the remaining stallions in the Whitney stud, Bally-hoo Boy went to Harry Payne Whitney for $2,500; Yankee was bought by W. H. Jencks for $21,500, and Kilmarnock was bid in by J. B. Haggin for $3,000.

Among the other sales were the following: Kilder, b. m., 1888, imp. Dare Din-Lou Laniere, sold to Harry Payne Whitney, $7,500; Leonora Loring, b. m., 1890, Dr. MacBride-Hoyden, sold to E. R. Thomas, New York, for $9,500; Louise N., ch. m., 1893, Luke Blackburn-Louise T., sold to W. K. Vanderbilt for $5,000; Martha M., b. m., 1895, imp. Dandie Dinmont-Louise T., sold to Harry Payne Whitney for $9,000.

THE RING.

COMPLETING TRAINING.

Percy Cove and Jockey Bennett, the two bantamweight boxers, who are matched to fight 20 rounds to a decision to-morrow evening at the Philharmonic hall, are putting the finishing touches to their training. They have been at work for several weeks and should now be in exceptionally fine condition. Both are confident. The draw between Bennett and Cove at Seattle has made them anxious for a decisive match.

As previously announced, there will be a preliminary between two navy exponents. This will commence at 8.30, and the principal contest starts at 9 o'clock. Prof. Foster is acting as manager. He announces that both men will weigh in to-morrow afternoon at 4.30 o'clock at the Philharmonic hall.

JOCKEY BENNETT,

Who is matched to meet Percy Cove in a 20-round bantamweight contest to-morrow evening.

ATHLETICS.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the general committee, formed of delegates from the different local athletic associations, is called for Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the offices of T. Hooper, Five Sisters block. The business will be the selection of grounds. The advisability of choosing Oak Bay as the future recreation centre and entering into a formal agreement with the B. C. Electric Railway Company to that effect will be discussed. The delegates follow: Lacrosse, T. Hooper, Rev. W. W. Bolton; baseball, J. A. Virture, H. A. Goward; Association football, L. Tait, B. Tye; Rugby football, D. Leeming, F. A. Macrae.

A full attendance is requested.

PHYSICAL CLASSES.

Last evening physical culture classes opened in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. There were about 20 young men in attendance, and F. A. Waddington was in charge. The class was first put through a set of splendid exercises. These were followed by different games, which were thoroughly enjoyed. The gymnasium apparatus, which has been repaired and made more complete than last winter, was also appreciated.

To-night the business men's class will meet for the first time. Members will gather at the rooms at the usual hour. It is expected that business of importance will come up for discussion, and it is therefore specially important that there be a full attendance.

LONG DISTANCE WALKING.

Vegetarian Covered Nearly One Thousand Miles in Seventeen Days.

Geo. H. Allen has broken the record for time in a walk from Land's End to John o' Groat's—a distance of close upon 1,000 miles. He is a vegetarian, a life-long teetotaller, and a non-smoker. Allen's time was 17 days. The first week he averaged 45 miles per day, the second week 53 miles per day, and the last 63 miles per day. The previous time was 24 days 4 hours, and the average walk per day 42 miles.

When Mr. Allen left the Royal Exchange, Glasgow, in continuation of his journey from Land's End to John o' Groat's, he had 315 miles to traverse in order to complete his journey. Proceeding steadily along, he reached Perth late at night, having covered during the day sixty miles. Allen started out early next morning, arriving at Dalwhinnie, the resting place for the night, having travelled 58 miles for the day. Continuing his walk on the following day, Allen traversed 59 miles, reaching Inverness in wonderfully good trim, although the rough roads crossing the Grampian Hills had blistered his feet somewhat.

He was 177 miles from John o' Groat's, and no one expected him to reach there within two days, but he walked at a good rate of speed during the whole of the day, and it was then seen that he intended accomplishing a splendid performance. Going as strong as ever on the next and last day, and walking as fresh as when he left Land's End, nearly three weeks before, and much faster, Allen eventually reached John o' Groat's, having thus walked nearly 1,000 miles in slightly under 17 days.

This beats the previous record of 24 days 4 hours by seven days and several hours, a really remarkable feat of endurance.

To show the perfect condition Allen was in, he not only increased the mileage each day, but also his speed. The second week he walked more than 48 miles further than the first week, and during the last five days considerably further than he did during the first six days, and nearly as far as during the second week of six days.

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Victoria	9.00	12.06	Victoria	3.00	7.00
Shawnigan Lake	10.20	10.46	Shawnigan Lake	4.20	5.40
Duncans	11.00	10.02	Duncans	5.00	5.00
Ladysmith	11.57	9.10	Ladysmith	5.52	4.00
Nanaimo	12.40	8.20	Nanaimo	6.42	3.15
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		Arrive.	Arrive.
Sidney	8.00 a.m.	3.00 p.m.	5.45 p.m.
Port Guichon	11.30 a.m.		
Cloverdale	12.15 pm.		
N. Westmin'r	1.45 p.m.		
Vancouver Ar.	2.45 p.m.		

Southbound.

	Daily. Arrive.	Daily. Arrive.
Victoria	7.20 p.m.	9.30 a.m.
		Leave.
Sidney	6.20 p.m.	8.30 a.m.
Port Guichon	3.00 p.m.	
Cloverdale	2.12 p.m.	
New Westminster	1.00 p.m.	
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Comments on Shooting by Lads Within City Limits—Objects to Parading of Chain Gang.

Yesterday afternoon the grand jury entered the Assize court and submitted the following presentment:

To the Honorable Mr. Justice Martin:

May It Please Your Lordship—We, the members of the grand jury of the assizes now in session, in accordance with your suggestion that we should visit and report on some of the Victoria public institutions, beg respectfully to submit the following:

Esquimalt Lock-Up.

We cannot too strongly condemn this building, which is not fit to place anyone in for even a few hours, and should, in our opinion, be pulled down and a proper lock-up, if required, erected in its place, with suitable sanitary conveniences, which are entirely lacking in the present premises.

Marine Hospital.

We were greatly pleased with this institution, which has all been thoroughly renovated, and is, in our opinion, in every way suitable for the purposes for which it is required. The caretaker, Mr. Unwin, showed us over the building and pointed out the improvements that have recently been made. Electric lighting has been installed, an operating room fitted up, and storm windows placed all round the building. There were only two patients in the hospital at the time of our visit, both of whom were satisfied with their accommodation and treatment.

The City Lock-Up.

A visit was made to this department of police administration, and was found in as satisfactory a condition as location will permit. We would recommend that better lighting and ventilation be secured if at all possible. Chief Langley drew our attention to the patrol wagon, which he stated had paid the expenses of its upkeep, and had met the needs of the department.

The Provincial Jail.

This institution was found to be in excellent condition, the entire building being scrupulously clean, and the general conduct of its affairs most thorough. There are at present twenty-three prisoners, the lowest number for many years; the general health is good. We congratulate the government upon having such an efficient warden as Mr. Johns.

We would recommend that the marching through the public streets of certain prisoners to and from the grounds at Government House, or to any other part of the city where their labors may be required, be discontinued, for we are strongly of the opinion that the disgracing of offenders is not calculated to have satisfactory results upon their characters. We would suggest that instead of their being escorted, followed by the man with a gun, that they be conveyed to their sphere of labor in an enclosed vehicle.

The Reformatory.

This institution is in charge of Major Mutter, with Mr. Halliday as instructor. Both these gentlemen have the best interests of the inmates at heart, and are endeavoring to mould their characters aright. The building was found to be very clean, but not altogether suited to the purpose. We were informed, however, that the Industrial Home at Vancouver will soon be completed, when the boys will be transferred to improved conditions.

The Jubilee Hospital.

We beg to report that this institution appears to be well managed; that its equipment is thoroughly up-to-date, and with the splendid addition known as the "Strathcona Wing" the hospital seems well-nigh complete.

It is a matter of congratulation that we have so many public-spirited citizens who have so generously aided in the furnishing of the new section.

The Old Men's Home.

We think the building a standing disgrace to the city of Victoria, and would urgently request the authorities to take immediate steps to secure a suitable site and construct a building as shall meet the special needs of such an institution.

The present building is a mere shack, and in a deplorable condition, and quite inadequate for the purposes for which it is used. We would respectfully submit that the new site be far removed from the present environs, where the outlook for the old men shall be brighter and less suggestive of the closing scene in life's drama.

We would also add that, in our opinion, Mr. McIntosh, the caretaker, makes the best of an old building, and evidently takes an interest in his work.

There is still another matter to which we respectfully draw Your Lordship's attention. We have been informed that there is too much shooting by lads within the city limits during the present season, especially in the vicinity of Hillside avenue, where a well known citizen narrowly escaped serious injury only a few days since, and where certain residents almost fear to step outside of the house. We think that immediate steps should be taken to stop this nuisance and remove this source of danger.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. STUART ROBERTSON,
Foreman Grand Jury.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon of the late Duncan Mackenzie. The deceased had been long and favorably known in this part of the province, and the attendance at the funeral was large. The services were conducted by Rev. A. Bell, of St. Mary's, Sapperton, and many old friends with the relatives followed the remains to their last resting place in the Church of England cemetery, Sapperton. The pallbearers were the late Mr. Mackenzie's five sons and his son-in-law, D. H. Miller.

VANCOUVER.

The first meeting of the British Columbia Association of Congregational churches and ministers is in progress in the First Congregational church in this city to-day. It will be continued to-morrow.

Police Magistrate Williams on Monday ordered that Violet Bernardina Emerson, a white child, aged three years, should be taken from her foster mother, an Indian woman named Louisa Emerson, and given to the care of the Children's Aid Society. The magistrate made an order for the payment by the city of $2 per week for the keep of the child.

C. M. Hamshaw, managing director of the Amalgamated McKee Creek Mining Company, Atlin, is on his way to New York. He is the representative of capitalists of Gotham who have acquired control of all the hydraulic claims on McKee creek. This has entailed the consolidation of the McKee Creek Consolidation Mining Company and the Amalgamated McKee Creek Mining Company, and next year operations on a large scale will be carried out. Mr. Hamshaw states that the past season has been a successful one in Atlin, all the companies securing good returns in the clean-ups.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Fraser, who recently accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church in this city, arrived here on Monday from California. His family is expected to arrive at the end of the week. Rev. Dr. Fraser will be inducted on Thursday evening, the 20th inst.

A gathering was held in the lecture hall of the First Presbyterian church on Monday night for the purpose of saying farewell to Rev. Dr. Wright, who has officiated as pastor since the departure of Rev. R. G. MacBeth. W. C. McBeth, superintendent of the Bible class, presided, and there was a large attendance present. During the evening Rev. Dr. Wright was presented with a handsome umbrella. Rev. Dr. Wright will leave shortly for Grand Forks, where he has a son engaged in the real estate business. He will, however, later return to Vancouver, and intends to take up his permanent residence here.

GRAND FORKS.

Wm. Dean, a rancher on Hardy mountain, met with a rather uncommon accident last week. While working in the field, he noticed a grouse alight on a tree close to him, and picked up a rock to hurl at the bird. In the act of throwing the stone he had the misfortune to break his arm between the shoulder and elbow.

FERNIE.

His Honor Judge Leamy, who is acting for Judge Forin during the latter's visit East, came to Fernie last week to hold a speedy courts trial. James Devine, the Morrissey burglar who broke into the Crow's Nest Trading Co.'s store, pleaded guilty to the charge, and offered the drink plea as an extenuating circumstance. His Honor sentenced him to nine months at Nelson jail with hard labor. George A. Knox, a boarder at the Roma hotel, was accused of stealing a collection of valuable coins from the bartender, and also with attempting to get into the safe. He pleaded guilty. The face value of the coins was only $30, but their commercial value was ten times that amount. Some of the coins had been found in his possession. He also had a key which he had broken in trying to open the drawer in the safe. He likewise got nine months at Nelson.

The pile driver, engine and all accessories arrived in Fernie last week from Kalispell for driving piles for the trestle approaching the bridge. Track-laying is expected to start at Morrissey in a few days. The yard work is also making good progress. No further orders have been issued regarding the branch to the C. P. R. track.

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1. Their absolute confidence in and unqualified endorsement of the principles and policy of the Liberal Party of Canada under the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The fiscal policy of the Government has been fully justified by the prosperity of the country and the expanding revenue, the latter having been attained by a readjustment of the methods of taxation, whereby the burdens upon the taxpayers have been materially lessened. The adoption and application of the principles of Imperial Preference have increased the volume of trade between the Dominion and the Mother Country, and opened for our products a large, valuable and constantly growing market, thereby establishing and increasing Canadian Trade and Canadian Revenue along lines of development in the interests of the Canadian people, without reference to and without being affected by the trade and tariff policies of the United States.

2. We endorse and approve of the policy of the Government in dealing with British Columbia. The representations made on behalf of the people of this Province by their representatives at Ottawa have been met and dealt with in a just and effective manner, all expenditures consequent thereon have been carefully and judiciously made and the various branches of the Federal Service in this Province have been fully equipped and maintained in in a high state of efficiency. In this connection we desire to acknowledge and commend the diligent, intelligent and successful manner in which Senator Templeman and Mr. George Riley have represented us at Ottawa.

3. We endorse and approve the action of the Government in permtiting the use of Fish Traps along the shores of Vancouver Island, whereby the exploitation of our fisheries can be prosecuted with greater advantage than under the system formerly in vogue, and Canadian fishermen can take Canadian salmon which would otherwise be caught in traps in adjacent United States waters. We also heartily commend the decision of the Government to establish additional hatcheries on a more extensive scale than hitherto, thus contributing to the further preservation of one of the most important industries of the Province.

4. We endorse and approve the policy and action of the Government in connection with the National Transcontinental Railway, whereby immigration will be stimulated, interprovincial trade be increased and another link be established in the chain of Imperial Federation and Imperial defence. As British Columbians, we are especially interested in this great undertaking, because it will certainly lead to the development of a very large area in the Province possessing great agricultural, mineral and timber resources. We endorse and approve of the provisions in the railway legislation in this regard whereby the principle of Government Ownership is adopetd and ultimate Government Ownership of the whole line is ensured. We pledge ourselves to use every means in our power to secure the construction of this railway to a point on Vancouver Island, having direct rail connection with the City of Victoria and to obtain terminal rates and facilities for this City.

5. We pledge ourselves to every possible effort to secure the early establishment of railway communication between the City of Victoria and the Western and Northern parts of Vancouver Island, and also of direct railway connection between this city and the mining districts of Yale and Kootenay.

6. We endorse and approve the action of the Liberal Government of Canada in advancing the Capitation Tax on Chinese entering the Province, first from $50 to $100 and again from $100 to $500, a total increase under the Liberal Administration of $450 per head.

7. We endorse and approve the policy and action of the Liberal Government of Canada in constituting the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, a Court of Record with ample powers to enforce the law and to secure the carrying out of the decrees of the Court, and with plenary jurisdiction over all Canadian Railways both in regard to the protection of employees and the travelling public and in regard to the fixing and regulation of tolls and charges. Already the Board has rendered important public service, and its establishment has reflected most favorably upon the wisdom of the Administration.

8. We endorse and commend the policy of the Government in liberally subsidizing lines of ocean-going steamers, whereby the increase of Canadian Commerce is greatly promoted, and as residents of this city and province we especially commend the establishment of the Canadian-Australian and Canadian-Mexican Services. We also endorse the policy of the Government in advertising Canada abroad, thereby promoting immigration to the Dominion and we pledge ourselves to urge upon the Government the continuation of this work and its extension on a wider scale than ever before to British Columbia.

9. We recognize and applaud the action of the Federal Government in granting a bounty to lead manufactured in Canada, whereby a very important branch of mining in this Province has been revived and remunerative employment has been given to a large number of people.

10. We commend the policy of the Government in respect to legislation in the interests of labor, including action in regard to the establishment of the Labor Bureau, the adoption of the Fair-Wage principle, the settlement of strikes and lockouts and other useful legislation in that direction, and pledge ourselves to give our hearty assistance and support to any further efforts in that direction.

11. We declare our firm conviction that the continuation in power of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal Party affords the strongest guarantee that the great period of prosperity, which the country has enjoyed in the past eight years will be continued in the future.

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Purchasing Agent.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 14th Sept., 1904.

NOTICE.

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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quarts.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 2,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year. If not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected an area of 1,920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of $1 an acre, and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of $3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Dept. Interior.

NOTICE

TENDERS

Sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Debentures," will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 31st day of October instant, at 4 p. m., for the purchase, in whole or in part, of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria issued under authority of the "Yates Street (Upper Part) Local Improvement By-Law," amounting in all to $12,528.37, maturing the 10th day of June, 1914, and secured upon the credit of the whole Municipality. The denomination of the debentures, (with the exception of remainders) is $500.00, and they bear interest at 4 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly at the office of the City Treasurer, Victoria. The tenderer must state the net price at Victoria which he will pay. In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest on the said debentures for the period between the 10th day of June last and the date of receipt of the purchase money by the City Treasurer. The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

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LOCAL NEWS

The case of Geo. Williams, charged with stealing a ring, came up in the police court this morning and was remanded until this afternoon.

A. K. Hartley, driver of hose reel No. 1, of the fire department, has been appointed to the police force. He will be assigned as driver of the patrol wagon, a position for which he is eminently adapted.

There was a good attendance in the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening to hear the address of A. E. McPhillips, K. C., on the subject of the "History of the Conservative Party in Canada." The lecture was well prepared, and proved very interesting.

"The results have been secured of the Royal Crown-soap guessing contest on at Queen's park during the course of the provincial exhibition," says the New Westminster Columbian. "As published before, the correct weight of the huge bar was 1,053 lbs. 8 ozs. The closest guess made was by Mrs. Peiser, of Victoria, whose ticket, No. 246, put the weight of the soap at 1,053 lbs. Mrs. Peiser, therefore, wins the silver tea service."

The following presents, in addition to those mentioned in another column, were received by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Fordham on the occasion of their marriage yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. C. Gibbons, copper jug; Dr. and Mrs. G. T. Watt, brass writing table set; Miss Jessie Bell, cut glass vase; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robertson, silver photo frame; Mrs. T. W. Powell, embroidered crepe de chine shawl with heavy fringe and Duchesse lace; Miss Foster, silver sachet books; Miss E. Davie, Japanese bowl; Mrs. Lockwood (Philadelphia), net scarf with Duchesse lace ends; Bishop of Columbia, handsomely bound prayer and hymn book; Miss Eva Lugewen's name was inadvertantly omitted from the list of bridesmaids.

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EMPRESS ARRIVED FROM THE ORIENT

SHE BROUGHT MANY THROUGH PASSENGERS

Steamer Spokane is to Be Altered—The Selkirk Has Been Hauled Out on the Ways.

The C. P. R. liner Empress of Japan, Capt. H. Pybus, arrived last evening from the Orient with about 3,000 tons of freight. There was little or none of it consigned to Victoria, so that the stay in this port was a very short one, not over 20 minutes.

There was a large number of passengers aboard. The saloon list included the following: J. Ambler, B. Banno, Capt. E. G. Barton, R. N., Mrs. E. Bickersteth, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bourns, J. J. Burns, Capt. W. Coleman, R. N., Mrs. J. H. Correll and son, Rev. W. J. Cuthbert, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Davis, Mrs. E. C. A. Dunn, J. Fox, jr., J. J. Fuller, A. M. Grantham, W. Greener, Mrs. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Gunther, Lieut. F. G. Haddy, R. N., G. Heinen, R. Hirota, H. R. Hunt, Mrs. Johnston, Capt. Y. Kumakura, I. J. N., Mr. and Miss Lee Lum, L. O. Leisching, Miss L. O. Leisching, Geo. Lynch, O. Matsukata, Miss L. H. McCully, Mr. Nam Ow Yang, Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Palmer, Capt. H. S. Pennell, Y. C., Major J. W. Peters, Major and Mrs. H. A. Pratt, E. Quakenbush, J. Rampley, Miss E. Ransome, Sir Geo. Scott, K. C. I. E., Miss S. E. Smally, Lieut. M. Snee, Capt. H. So, I. J. N., L. A. Summerhays, Geo. Syme, Thomson, Fraser Thomson, E. F. Knight, A. M. Tinke, Rev. A. B. Turner, Miss J. K. Waller, A. F. R. Woltasson, Rev. E. A. Wicher, Mrs. E. A. Wicher, S. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Wills and H. Zurrer.

There were also 37 intermediate and 223 steerage passengers.

The trip across the Pacific was marked by nothing unusual, and the voyage was a very pleasant one.

ALTERING THE SPOKANE.

From Seattle it is announced that the steamer Spokane, owned by the Pacific Coast Company, will be out of commission this winter. The vessel was withdrawn from the Alaska run after the close of the excursion season and is now tied up. Before she goes into commission again she will be thoroughly overhauled and marked changes will be made in her. The water tube boilers in the Spokane are to be taken out and Scotch marine boilers substituted. Plans for this change are now being made and bids will be called for soon.

While the company says it believes in the general principal of water tube boilers, it is not satisfied that boilers have been satisfactory in the Spokane. Ultimately, it is believed, water tube boilers will be developed to a point where they will hold a marked advantage over Scotch marine boilers, but in the meantime Pacific Coast Steamship Company steamers are likely to use the old style of steam generators.

The water tube boilers in the Spokane are practically new and have not been affected materially by their use during the summer excursion season. But for economic, as well as operating, reasons they are to be changed.

In the changes made in the Spokane the company will have spent between $60,000 and $70,000 in their experiment with water tube boilers.

TO SEARCH FOR LINER.

"The Neptune Salvage Company, of Seattle, the manager of which, Capt. Fred Finch, successfully searched for the steamer Islander, off Douglas Island, Alaska, will now attempt to find the wreck of the Oriental liner Rio de Janeiro, which went down in the Golden Gate several years ago," says the Seattle Star. "Capt. Finch, accompanied by Capt. Smith, the inventor of the cage, with the aid of which the Islander was found, and a party of workmen will leave for San Francisco as soon as the cage, which is now in the north, with the company's barges, reaches Seattle.

"From this city the cage will be shipped direct to San Francisco, after which Capt. Finch will commence a search for the lost vessel.

"The officials of the Neptune Salvage Company announced this morning that the search for the Rio de Janeiro would be commenced before the end of the present month. They say that the finding of the Rio de Janeiro will be an easy task as compared with that of the steamer Islander. The spot where the Rio de Janeiro went down is definitely known."

TEXAN'S FREIGHT.

The steamer Texan, one of the American-Hawaiian freighters, which company also owns the Nevadan, which was overhauled here last week, is loading cargo at Puget Sound ports for Japan. The chartering of the Texan by the Boston Towboat Company has been referred to previously by the Times. There seems, however, to be some mystery connected with the loading of the steamer, and reports are to the effect that after taking on general freight at Tacoma she will load a large consignment of steel plates at Seattle. The shipment, it is said, will consist of 50 cars of steel plates. These plates are to be used in the building of torpedo boats and cruisers for the Japanese navy. The steamer Texan is one of the finest freighters in the world. It is the general opinion that a handsome price must have been offered by the charter parties to secure the vessel for this mission to the Orient.

SELKIRK ON WAYS.

The steamer Selkirk was hauled out this morning on the ways of the Victoria Machinery Depot. The vessel is in the ore carrying trade between Texada Island and Tacoma. She will be on the ways only a few days, undergoing a general overhauling and being scraped.

MARINE NOTES.

Capt. T. O. Griffin, who was suspended in August last as a result of the accident to the Princess Victoria off Prospect Point, at the entrance to Vancouver harbor, has been reappointed to the command of the steamer. Capt. Hickey, who replaced Capt. Griffin on the Princess Victoria, has resumed command of the Princess Beatrice.

The steamer Fingal arrived this morning from the Fraser with a load of hay and produce.

The C. P. R. steamer Amur left last night for Skagway on her regular schedule.

HE IS ACCUSED OF KIDNAPPING

POLICE CONFRONTED WITH STRANGE CASE

Man Arrested in Seattle on Charge of Abducting Child From This City.

During the past few days the local police and legal firm of Bodwell & Lawson have been engaged on a case which presents a chain of circumstances somewhat rare in local chronicles. Should the allegations of parties interested be true, a systematic effort has been made to deprive a mother of the possession of her child, for what reason none seem to be in a position to say. One arrest has been made, and should the matter be brought into court some sensational features are likely to arise.

The child concerned is Elma Delmas, the pretty little daughter of Mrs. E. B. Delmas, a San Francisco lady, who is now a guest at the Driard, and the history of the case goes back four years. The child, who was then four years of age, was placed by the mother in charge of a lady friend in Seattle, apparently to be sent to school. A short time ago, however, the lady died, and in some manner the child fell into the possession of one Charles Snyder. Mrs. Delmas, who had been in the habit of making frequent trips to Seattle to visit her daughter, learned of this, and grew very anxious, her anxiety being intensified by the receipt of a letter from Snyder last September, accompanied by a blank agreement form, in which she was asked to surrender her daughter to Snyder for adoption.

Subsequently she learned that the little girl had been placed in the convent in Victoria, and she hurried north, arriving in this city some time last week. On Saturday last she called on the child at the convent, but was told that she could not take her away without the sanction of the party who placed her there. The mother then consulted Messrs. Bodwell & Lawson. On Sunday night Mr. Lawson wired to Snyder in connection with the matter, and on Monday morning received a telegram in reply to the effect that Snyder would be here on Tuesday morning. He received a similar message in the afternoon.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. Delmas received a communication from the convent authorities requesting her not to call to see the child on that day, and that they had been instructed by Mr. Snyder to give her that notice. The matter was also placed in the hands of the local police, and Detective Sergeant Palmer ascertained that Snyder had actually been in the city on Sunday, and had taken the child away on Monday morning, going to Seattle, by way of Vancouver. In other words the man was in the city while telegrams purporting to come from him in Seattle were received here. The police have concluded that the wires were sent here by a confederate to throw them off the track, while Snyder removed the child from the convent and city.

Chief Langley at once communicated with Chief Delaney, of Seattle, and Snyder was arrested. The child was placed in the care of the Humane Society. J. H. Lawson, jr., and Detective Sergeant Palmer will leave for the Sound city this evening armed with a warrant, and Snyder will have to explain on what authority he took Mrs. Delmas's child away. He is charged with the serious crime of kidnapping.

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COUNSEL HAVE ADDRESSED JURY

COLWOOD SHOOTING CASE NEARING END

Several Witnesses Were Examined This Morning, and Verdict Will Be Reached in Afternoon.

The defence closed its case in Rex v. Clarke this morning, and both counsel addressed the jury. Mr. Justice Martin sums up this afternoon, after which the jury will retire to consider a verdict.

Henry Price, of Parson's Bridge, was the first witness called to-day. He said he was well acquainted with accused. On the 7th of August he was driving on Metchosin road. He met four soldiers, one lying down, about half a mile from Colwood. They asked him to take one of their number down the road. Consenting to this, Gr. Scannell was lifted in the buggy. He appeared to be drunk. He stopped ten or eleven yards past the Colwood hotel. As soon as the man (who he afterwards learned was Gr. Scannell) was lifted out he sprang to his feet and demanded drink. He wasn't as drunk as he appeared.

While they were at Colwood the other soldiers came running up. Mr. Clarke was in the hotel. One of the soldiers tried to push the barroom door open with his shoulder. He then broke one of the windows. One struck the door with a stick. Some one attempted to get through a window. A shot was then fired. Witness did not see any stones thrown. Witness shouted out, "Boys, go away and don't break up Mr. Clarke's house."

Cross-examined by Mr. Belyea—Witness watched the row for about ten minutes, until the first shot. When he picked up Scannell the others seemed to have been drinking, but "appeared to be able to navigate." At Colwood he saw accused. Clarke was perfectly sober. He did not see anyone knock at the door before the attempt to break it open. It was Scannell who attempted to enter the hotel through the broken window. Witness was about ten or eleven yards from the hotel when the first shot was fired. He saw a bottle with the soldiers when he met them on the road. It was almost empty.

Charles Smith, the next witness, was at Colwood on Sunday, the 7th of August. He was returning from Sooke. Several soldiers came in and one threw his hat at the bartender. This started a row, and two soldiers jumped on the bartender. The accused then entered and tried to separate them. They had pulled the bartender's shirt from his back and kicked him about the floor.

Afterwards he heard the two soldiers use unseemly language to Mrs. Clarke.

Summing up, Mr. Bradburn commented on the seriousness of the charge. If it was not denied that accused fired the shots. The circumstances leading up to the occurrence and the state of mind of accused were matters the jury would have to consider. Counsel then quoted the code dealing with self-defence. If accused was under reasonable apprehension of grievous harm, either to himself, his wife, family or household, the shooting was justified. Therefore the verdict returned should be "not guilty."

There had been great conflict in the evidence of witnesses for the prosecution. The soldiers called were all interested. They had evidently discussed the details previously and reached an agreement. In view of the evidence of Mr. Price there was no doubt that one at least, Gr. Scannell, was helplessly intoxicated. The others were all more or less under the influence of liquor. Taking the evidence of the soldiers interested, it was apparent that their intention was to make out that accused broke the windows himself. To do this it was necessary to "manufacture evidence." According to Co. Sergt.-Major Coulin he was in the rear of the hotel at 11.30 o'clock on that evening of the shooting and heard glass break and some one remark that he would shoot the next soldier that came along the road." It was implied by this evidence that the accused had afterwards broken windows and made the remark quoted. But this statement fell to the ground when it was remembered that accused had been arrested at 10 o'clock and therefore could not have been the person Sergt.-Major Coulin's evidence had reference to.

It was also hard to believe that Gr. O'Neill would purchase a bottle of whiskey to throw it away. There was the evidence of Mr. Price, who said he saw a bottle almost empty on the road. The only reasonable cause of the very slight injuries to Gr. Flannagan was that the accused had shot at his feet, so that only a few pellets took effect. If he had deliberately fired at the man the latter would not have been alive to-day.

If Gr. Scannell was not drunk, the only explanation of his requesting a ride with Mr. Price was to gain admission to the Colwood hotel. His intention then, counsel believed, was to admit his comrades on their arrival. The evidence went to show that there had been a deliberate conspiracy on the part of the soldiers to enter the hotel.

The prosecution attempted to prove too much. Two witnesses claimed that from 7 to 10 shots were fired. If that had been the case there was not the slightest doubt that, with the soldiers standing within sight and range, more would have been injured.

The action of accused all through was that of one in fear of bodily harm. He had sent his man away to summon the Work Point picket for protection. The displaying of an unloaded revolver after the first row also went to show this. Accused thought the report that he was armed would be circulated, resulting in frightening the soldiers from attempting any premeditated attack.

Had the soldiers succeeded in gaining admittance in their condition they might have seriously injured the accused and his wife.

Accused did not make an aggressive movement. He had only resisted an unlawful attempt to enter his premises. The action Clarke took was justified in every respect, and the verdict returned should be "not guilty."

Presenting the case for the crown, Mr. Belyea first explained that there was no evidence to prove a conspiracy on the part of the soldiers to enter the Colwood hotel. It was not reasonable to form any such conclusion. The accused was shown to have had a number of drinks on the afternoon of the fracas, and counsel had just as much reason to believe that the accused was drunk as that the soldiers were in that condition. There were certain facts which had to be explained or the accused found guilty. There were several discrepancies about the window breaking. He didn't say that some were not broken by the soldiers. But by the evidence the only conclusion to be drawn was that some windows were afterwards smashed.

Then there was the question: "How was Flannagan shot?" Judging by the way the shot struck him his own story should be accepted. He was going away from the hotel and turned his head. Then he was struck on the side of the head, body and legs. Dr. Hart's evidence corroborated this.

"To what extent was the accused justified in shooting?" That was a most important question. After the first shot had been fired and the soldiers commenced to run down the road, the plea of self-defence was of no avail.

Several points would have to be considered. The first was that there were more than two shots. In the second place the soldiers were about 30 yards away when Flannagan was hit and leaving the premises. Under the circumstances accused had no justification in firing, and it was the duty of the jury to find him guilty.

The court then adjourned until 2.30 o'clock this afternoon.

FIRE CHIEFS' CONVENTION.

Annual Meeting Is Now in Progess in Vancouver.

The annual convention of the Pacific Coast Fire Chiefs' Association opened in Vancouver yesterday with fifty or sixty delegates in attendance, including Chief Watson, of this city. The convention will last until Friday.

A matter of considerable interest will be introduced by Ralph Cook, chief of the Seattle fire department. This is the creation of a permanent pension fund for volunteer and paid firemen. At the present time, when a fireman reaches the age limit in British Columbia, Washington or Oregon, he must shift for himself. If he is injured during a fire, and is forced to retire because of disability, he is either dependent on the generosity of the city council or of his friends and relatives. If he is killed, in most instances, there is no life insurance for his widow and children, as the majority of the insurance companies are now refusing risks on firemen. Chief Cook will urge united action by the convention, so that systematic work may be begun for the passage of such measures as are needed in this province and the Coast states.

California is the only Pacific Coast state which has any provision for the pensioning of firemen. In all the principal Eastern cities of the United States firemen who are retired for age or disability, draw a pension, in some instances amounting to half the pay they received when retired.

IMPURE MILK.

To the Editor:—I am informed that there is such a thing as a Milk-Inspection Act in existence here, at the present time, although facts point to the contrary. A couple of years ago it was a common occurrence to see milkmen stopped on the street and samples taken from their cans to be tested. But such inspection appears now to be a dead letter. To-day I had a glass of milk with my lunch, and was utterly disgusted to find at the bottom of the glass a quantity of black muck of some sort. It has also been a common occurrence during the past month to see a deposit of a quarter of an inch or more of a disagreeable looking black deposit in the bottom of a pint pitcher. You can readily see, sir, that no more prolific source of typhoid fever, diphtheria, etc., could exist than such a disgustingly impure milk. It is not my intention at the present time to mention names, but I hope that milkmen interested will see for themselves that such a bad state of affairs is not in their own interests. I expect that the trouble lies in that some of the men supplying milk in Victoria do not insist that the cow's udder is washed or at least wiped with a damp cloth before milking.

CLEANLINESS.

Victoria, Oct. 12th, 1904.

THE CZAREVITCH STAKES.

London, Oct. 12.—At the Newmarket second October meeting to-day the Czarevitch stakes, (of 25 sovereigns each) with 500 sovereigns added, for three-year-olds and upwards, distance two miles and two furlongs, was won by War Grave. Rondeau was second and War Wolf third. Twenty horses started.

FARMER'S DEATH.

Killed in a Runaway Accident at Ladner This Morning.

(Special to the Times.)

New Westminster, Oct. 12.—A fatal accident occurred at Ladner this morning. Louis Monkman, his wife and child and a neighbor's daughter were in a wagon opposite a store when the horses bolted. The frightened children tried to jump out, but were caught by the mother and both slid to the bottom of the wagon. Monkman was thus left on the end of the board seat, which tipped at the first jolt, throwing him beneath the rear wheel. His jaw and neck were crushed, and he only lived a few minutes. Deceased was a young farmer, aged thirty-five years. He came recently from the Northwest. The coroner decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

PERSONAL.

Reginald B. Anderson, of the government office, Atlin, who has been on a holiday visit to his relatives and friends in Victoria, left last night by the Amur to resume the duties of his office.

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H. A. Marks, who has been touring the province in the interests of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada, left last night on the Whatcom en route to Nelson, B. C.

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Miss Gertrude and Katherine Curry, of Tacoma, are visiting Victoria, the guest of their aunt, Mrs. J. J. Whiteley, 44 Vancouver street.

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W. S. Ayers and wife, and W. W. Boorman and wife, were among outgoing passengers on the steamer Whatcom last evening.

Dr. M. Lucas and wife left last evening by the steamer Whatcom and the Northern Pacific railway for Hamilton, Ont.

WORLD'S FAIR RATES EXTENDED.

Through the efforts of the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY, World's Fair excursion tickets will be sold on October 27th, 28th and 29th, in addition to October 3rd, 4th and 5th. For full information apply to any Great Northern agent.*

—We have just put on show a splendid range of Lambeth pottery, Royal Doulton ware, a name synonymous with the very best; its quaint form and natural decoration is very pleasing to those whose tastes in china lean to quietness, it blends beautifully with almost any decorative scheme, especially Oriental effects. See window. Weiler Bros. *

—Do not fail to see the I. C. S. "Exhibit" in the B. C. Furniture Co.'s Government street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Respectable boy wanted to deliver parcels. Apply 88 Yates street.

LOST—Lady's gold chain, with heart locket set with pearls; reward. A. D. Crease.

LARGE AIR-TIGHT HEATER, with nickel bars, stand and pipes, in use 11 months, for $6.75; 16 yards all-wool carpet, 36 inches wide, for $2.50; kitchen table, $1.25. 204 Pandora avenue.

BORN.

PROUDFOOT—At Nelson, on Oct. 8th, the wife of David Proudfoot, of a daughter.

STINSON—At Vancouver, on Oct. 8th, the wife of Geo. R. Stinson, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

FORDHAM-POWELL — At St. John's church, in this city, on the 11th inst., by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Columbia, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Ard, M. A., Mr. John Gurney Fordham, third son of the late John R. and Mrs. Fordham, of Aspatria, Cumberland, and of No. 9 Phillimore Gardens, London, England, to Corisande, third daughter of I. W. Powell, Esq., M. D., and Mrs. Powell, of Oakdene, Victoria, B. C.

DIED.

STOREY—In this city, on the 11th instant, Thomas Storey, a native of Norfolk, England, aged 84 years.

The funeral will take place on Thursday at 9.45 a. m. from his late residence, 104 Fisguard street, and at Christ Church Cathedral at 10 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

KENNINGTON GRAPE VINES.

In a row of houses near Kennington Oval, which have large back gardens, grape vines climb up to the bedroom windows. And what is more interesting, many of the vines, which face due south, and receive the benefit of the sunshine for several hours during the day, bear fruit, which is now pretty well ripened, and the favored inhabitants are about to reap the harvest. This is by no means an uncommon occurrence in the inner suburbs; but it is little realized outside the metropolitan area that Londoners can really sit beneath their own grape vines.

The crew of the extra freight train which collided with the Missouri Pacific World's Fair train Monday, resulting in the death of 29 persons, is held responsible for the disaster by the coroner's jury. The verdict charged the crew with disobeying orders and with being asleep at their post of duty.

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